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MULCAHEY—Fourth Anniversary—In sad and loving memory of Patrick J. Mulcahy (Pat), late R.I.C., who was mortally wounded in Trinity street 2nd February, 1921. "Father, not my will, but Thy will." Inserted by Clan.

MARRIAGE.

SLADKE and SKELLY—January 28, 1925, at Christ's Church, Chelsea, by the Vicar, Randal Lancelot Leland, only son of the late James Wilkinson Sladke, Solicitor, Annadale, Carrick-on-Shannon, and Mrs. Sladke, Frow Dee, Rhosrhir, Anglesey, to Marion O'Moore, eldest daughter of John William and Mrs. E. M. Skelly, 1 Hibernian terrace, Chapelland, Dublin, late of Bridge View House, Stradbally, Queen's County, and Moate, County Westmeath. (After February 2nd, 46 Cloudesdale road, Upper Tooting, London, S.W.17.)

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

BERESFORD—January 30, 1926, Richard Unacke, Precentor of Ossory and Rector of Inistioge, son of Colonel Beresford, R.A., of Woodhouse. Funeral leaves The Rocks, Kilkenny, 10 a.m., to-morrow (Tuesday), by motor. Service at Inistioge, 10.45 a.m., arrive Stradbally, County Waterford, 1.30 p.m.

BODKIN—January 24, 1925, at Villa, Les Terrasses, St. Raphael, South France, John Bodkin, late of Kilcloony, Tuam, County Galway, aged 68.

DRIVER—January 30, 1925, in Dublin, Margaret, widow of the late John Driver, Spring Lodge, Tinahely. Interment this (Monday) morning, Mount Jerome Cemetery, 11 o'clock.

ERSKINE—January 30, 1925, at her residence, 6 Haveloch square, Dublin, Marianne, daughter of late James Hurst, of this city.

FAIRBROTHER—January 18, 1925, at Kyle, Rosscrea, James Fairbrother, aged 85 years.

FENTON—January 30, 1925, at Farm Yale, Kill, County Dublin, Mary Elizabeth, dearly-beloved wife of George Fraser Fenton. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing husband, parents, brothers, and sisters, also a large circle of friends. Interment Donnybrook Cemetery, Wicklow, 2 p.m. this day (Monday).

FOTTRELL—February 1, 1925, at his residence, No. 8 North Great George's street, Dublin, Sir George Fottrell, K.C.B. R.I.P. Funeral strictly private. No flowers, by request.

HOEY—January 31, 1925, at his residence, Mountain View, Mulhuddart, William G. Hoey, aged 63 years. R.I.P. Funeral at 3 p.m. to-morrow (Tuesday) from St. Brigid's, Blanchardstown.

MacMAHON—January 31, 1925, at Arderin, 74 Park avenue, Sandymount, Dublin, Mrs. Carson, 32 Rochester's Walk, Dublin, Margaret MacMahon, relict of the late Peter MacMahon, of Stapleton place, Tallaght, and Bridge, Dundalk. R.I.P. Funeral (private) to Glasnevin Cemetery.

MOONEY—February 1, 1925, at Cowenstown, Maynooth, Kathleen, third eldest daughter of the late Joseph and Kate Mooney. R.I.P. Requiem (to-morrow (Tuesday) morning, after 9.30 o'clock Mass at Lady Chapel, to family burial ground.

OSBORNE—January 31, 1925, at Dumfries, Rev. John Dobson Osborne, B.A., Minister, Presbyterian Church, Boyle, aged 65. Interment (private) Belfast to-morrow (Tuesday).

SHARPLEY—January 31, 1925, suddenly, at his residence, 41 Sandymount road, Dublin, Forbes Sharpley, aged 60. "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) morning, arriving 9.30 o'clock at Mount Jerome.

THORPE—January 27, 1925, at her residence, Tullicanna, Wexford, Gretta Thorpe, in the inconsolable grief of her sorrowing mother, aunt, brothers and sisters, and a large circle of friends. Interred at Ballougbton on the 29th January. Thy will be done."

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Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Statute 30 and 31 Victoria, cap. 54, that the above-named Deceased, who died on the 19th day of June, 1922, bequeathed to the Representative Body of the Church of Ireland, incorporated under the name of the Representative Church Body, the sum of One Hundred Pounds, the income thereof to be applied towards the Superannuation Fund of the Parish of Kildallon, in the County of Cavan; and the Testatrix declared this Bequest to the Treasurer or other proper officer of the said Representative Body should be a sufficient discharge therefor.
The said Testatrix died on the 13th day of August 1,424, and Probate of her said Will was, on the 19th day of November, 1924, granted to Richard Annesley Walker, of No. 86 Merrion square, in the City of Dublin, Solicitor, and Jane Home Ramsay, of No. 46 Palmerston road, aforesaid, the Executors therein named, forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann.
Dated this 28th day of January, 1925.
S. and R. C. WALKER, and SON, Solicitors for the said Executors, 86 Merrion square, Dublin.
To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland and all persons concerned.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE—CHIEF JUSTICE.
ADVERTISEMENT FOR CREDITORS.
Pursuant to an Order of the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice, made in the matter of MARY FLANNERY, STEPHEN FLANNERY, FREDIGENT MARY FLANNERY, JOSEPHINE FLANNERY, EDWARD JOHN FLANNERY, and KATHLEEN GRACE FLANNERY, Minors,
the Creditors of Stephen Flannery, late of 12 Cecil street, Nenagh, in the County of Tipperary, Motor Engineer, who died in or about the month of March, 1923, are, on or before the 14th day of February, 1925, to send by post, prepaid, to M. Gleeson and Son, of 24 St. Andrew street, in the City of Dublin, the Solicitors of the Administratrix of the Deceased, their Christian and surname, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order.
Every Creditor holding any security is to produce the same before the Chief Clerk of the Chief Justice at his Chambers, Law Courts, Dublin, on the 28th day of February, 1925, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.
Dated this 26th day of January, 1925.
J. and J. CALLOWAY, Solicitors for said Executors, 14 South Frederick street, Dublin.
To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, and all whom it may concern.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.
Pursuant to an Order of the High Court of Justice made in the Matter of the Estate of ANTHONY VINCENT McDONAGH, late of Deanstown House, Blanchardstown, in the County of Dublin, Deceased;
And in a Cause
CULLEN v. McDONAGH and Another, 1924. No. 951.
The creditors of the said Anthony V. McDonagh, Deceased, who died on or about the month of May, 1923, are, on or before the 2nd day of March, 1925, to send by post, prepaid, to Messrs. Gore and Grimes, of 5 Cavendish row, Dublin, the Solicitors of the Defendant, the Administratrix of the Deceased, their particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order.
Every creditor holding any security is to produce the same at the Chambers, No. 1 Law Courts, Dublin Castle, on the 9th day of March, 1925, at 11 of the clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.
Dated this 29th day of January, 1925.
H. RALEIGH CRUISE,
Assistant Chief Clerk.
JAMES FAGAN, Solicitor for Plaintiff, 58 Rutland square, W., Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
CECILIA LETITIA SHIRLEY BALL, late of Gortnahoe, Athlone, in the County of Meath, Widow, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic., Cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be Creditors, or otherwise to have any claim or demand against the estate or assets of the said Cecilia Letitia Shirley Ball, deceased, who died on the 25th day of September, 1924, are hereby required, on or before the 1st day of March, 1925, to furnish (in writing) the particulars of such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors of said Deceased, to whom probate of the Will of said Deceased has been granted forth of the Principal Registry (Probate) of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, on the 14th day of November, 1924.
And Notice is hereby given that after the said 1st day of March, 1925, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims and demands of which notice and particulars have been given as above required.
Dated this 23rd day of January, 1925.
DARLEY, ORPEN and SYNNOTT, Solicitors for the Executors, 30/31 Kildare street, Dublin.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.
ADVERTISEMENT FOR INCUMBRANCERS.
Pursuant to a Judgment of the High Court of Justice made in an action.
MICHAEL MAHER, Plaintiff;
PATRICK MAHER, Defendant.
All persons claiming to be Incumbrancers affecting (1) Part of the Lands of Commons, Thurles, containing 9 acres 3 roods 35 perches or thereabouts, Statute measure, situate in the Barony of Eliocarty and County Tipperary; (2) Part of the Lands of Stradavoher, Thurles, containing 6 acres or thereabouts, situate in the same Barony and County; (3) Other part of the Lands of Stradavoher, Thurles, containing 1 acre 2 roods 2 perches, Statute measure, with the Dwellinghouse and Outoffices thereon, situate in the same Barony and County, are, by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their claims at Chambers, Law Courts, Dublin, on or before the 4th day of March, 1925, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Judgment.
Every such Incumbrancer holding any security is to produce the same at Chambers, Law Courts, Dublin, on the 11th day of March, 1925, at 11 of the clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudication on the claims.
Dated this 23rd day of January, 1925.
JOHN HEALY, Chief Clerk.
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COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC WORKS IN IRELAND.
ANNUAL OVERHAUL OF DREDGERS.
Sealed Tenders, addressed to the undersigned will be received up to but not later than 12 o'clock noon on the 14th February, 1925, for the annual Overhaul of the Dredgers "Stephens," Sexfrage and "Fag-an-Bealach," at Dun Laoghaire or Howth Harbours, in accordance with the details to be seen at this Office, or at the Office of the Superintendent of Works, Harbour Yard, Dun Laoghaire, at either of which places printed Forms of Tender may be obtained.
In considering the placing of this Contract special regard will be had to the extent to which firms submitting Tenders do or are prepared to employ demobilised officers and men of the National Army.
Contractors should furnish a separate Tender for each vessel.
The Commissioners reserve the right to accept separate Tenders for each Dredger, and will not be bound to accept the lowest or any Tender.
By Order,
JOHN MOONEY, Town Clerk.
Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall, Blackrock, 31st January, 1925.

CARLOW COUNTY COUNCIL.
COUNTY PRINTING.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Quarterly Meeting of the Council on Tuesday, 3rd inst., at 12 noon, will be prepared to receive Sealed Tenders for Printing and Stationery for the 12 months commencing 1st April, 1925. Specification conditions of Contract and Form of Tender may be obtained on application to the Housing Workhouse and Supplies Department, Lord Edward street, Dublin, on payment of 5/-.
Sealed Tenders, endorsed "Tender for Printing, etc.," and addressed to the Dublin Borough Commissioners, City Hall, should be lodged not later than 12 noon on Monday, 16th inst.
By Order, JOHN J. MURPHY, Town Clerk.
THE DUBLIN BOROUGH COMMISSIONERS hereby invite Tenders for the undermentioned requirements for six months from the 1st April, 1925, viz.:—
1—Bicycles, etc. 2—Bricks, Stoneware Sewer Pipes, Slates, etc. 3—Broken Green Whinstone, Chippings, etc. 4—Deals, Battens, and Oak Planks. 5—Iron Pipes and other Castings. 6—Creosoted Paving Blocks, etc. 7—Iron Bars, Rods, and Miscellaneous Ware. 9—Iron Materials and Stores. 10—Leather, India Rubber Goods and Hose. 11—Oils, Paints, Varnish, and Ironmongery. 12—Portland Cement. 13—Plumbing Work, Heating and Materials. 14—Pitchpine, Lightning Conductors, Glass. 15—Ropes, Twine, Canvas, etc. 16—Sand and Aggregate. 17—Small Metal Castings. 18—Timber and Stores. 19—Welding Sludge and Maintenance. 20—Maintenance of Lifebuoys.
Specifications, Forms of Tender and conditions of Contract may be obtained at the Offices of the City Engineer, 28 Castle street, on payment of 10/-.
Standard samples of the articles specified may be examined by Tenderers at the Municipal Stores, Kennedy's street. Quantities of each Item are indicated in the Forms of Tender.
Sealed Tenders, endorsed "Tenders for Supply of ——," and addressed to the Dublin Borough Commissioners, City Hall, Dublin, must be delivered not later than 12 o'clock noon, and will be opened in public.
By Order, JOHN J. MURPHY, Town Clerk.
URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF BLACKROCK.
The Urban District Council of Blackrock are prepared to receive Tenders for the Supply of Five Bales of Uniform and Nine Overcoats.
Official Tender Forms and Specification may be obtained on application at the Surveyor's Office, Town Hall, Blackrock, during office hours.
Samples of the articles tendered for, addressed to the Town Clerk, and marked with price in plain figures, must accompany each Tender.
Price and quality being equal, preference will be given to Irish Manufacture.
The Contractor to pay the standard Trade Union rates of wages and to adopt the usual terms of employment recognised by the trade.
Tenders in sealed envelopes endorsed with the name of the article tendered for, and addressed to the Chairman of the Council, must be delivered at the Town Hall, Blackrock, not later than 12 noon on Friday, 13th February, 1925.
The Council will not be bound to accept the lowest nor any Tender.
By Order,
JOHN MOONEY, Town Clerk.
Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall, Blackrock, 31st January, 1925.

CARLOW COUNTY COUNCIL.
COUNTY PRINTING.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Quarterly Meeting of the Council on Tuesday, 3rd inst., at 12 noon, will be prepared to receive Sealed Tenders for the supply during the year ending March, 1926. Cost not to exceed £410.
Tenders, naming sureties, and enclosed in sealed envelopes, having on the outside a number corresponding to that placed before the work tendered for in the above list, can be lodged up to 4 p.m. on Monday, 16th February, 1925, with Secretary, at his Office, Courthouse, Carlow, where Specifications will be open for inspection and Forms of Tender and other information obtained.
Personal attendance of parties tendering and their sureties necessary at the adjourned meeting.
The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.
RICHARD J. KROGH,
Secretary, County Council.
20th January, 1925.

DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD.
SUCTION DREDGER
"SANDPIPER."
The Dublin Port and Docks Board is prepared to receive Tenders for the Removal and Replacing of Cast Iron Suction and Delivery Pipes, Valves, etc., in Engine Room.
Particulars can be obtained on application to the Engineer's Office, East Wall, Dublin, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
Tenders, endorsed on the outside "Sandpiper," to be delivered to the SECRETARY, DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD, 19 MORELAND STREET, DUBLIN, not later than 12 noon on Wednesday, 4th prox.
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Port and Docks Office,
31st January, 1925.

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LOST AND FOUND.

LOST, Lady's Purse, Westmoreland st., College st. Green, Monday, 26th inst.; reward.—F 2, Collins Barracks. 2 A

LOST, January 29th, G

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MOTOR CARS.

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CROSSLEY Coupe, 1921 model, perfect order; Moon Tourer, good hire car.—T. J. Rogers, 42/5 South King street, Dublin. 29 B

DEFERRED Payments—Any make of new Car supplied (except Fords); state particulars make required.—Nassau Motor Co., 25 Nassau street. 31 D

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MOTOR CARS CONTINUED.

FOR Sale, Ford Touring Car, good condition, complete with spare wheel, electric light, etc.; mechanical condition and tyres and tubes perfect; price £30. Address "Z 1263, Ford Car," this office. 28 A

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MORRIS Oxford Two Seater, 1924, £55; Morris Oxford Two Seater, superior condition, 1923, £65; Humber 10 Four Seater, £80; Chevrolet, 1921, dynamo and starter, excellent order, £55; Bedford Buick Two Seater, dynamo and starter, £75; Ford Five Seater, Hood, £40; Ford Two Seater, £32, £50; Talbot Darracq Four Seater, £55; Hupmobile Four Seater, good order, £70; Citroen Two Seater De Luxe, 1924, best offer; Singer 10, 1923, as new, £145.—Fitzgerald, 128 Stephen's Green. 28 A

MAXWELL Coupe; Wolseley Four Seater, self starter; Wolseley Four Seater, Humber Two Seater, Ford Ton Truck, semi solids on rear.—J. A. Jones, Garage, Haddington road. 30 C

TALBOT Cabriolet for Sale, private owner, perfect order; make good Taxi; price £65, owner going away. Seen Daisy, 18 Engine alley, Meath street.

1922 MAXWELL Touring Car, perfect running order, electric lights, self starter, no reasonable offer refused.—50 Kenilworth square; seen 1 to 3. 28 A

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LIGHT modern Cars and Motor Bicycles Bought, Sold or Exchanged.—Fitzgerald, 128 Stephen's Green. 28 A

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A1 NEW 1925 Models—Sunbeams, New Imperials, P. and M., including the famous Panther and Panther Cub Models. Some bargains in 1924 Models. Inspection invited.—Wayte Bros., Ltd., Lemon street, Grafton street. T

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JAMES, 3½ H.P., and Rudge Multi, 3½ H.P., Motor Cycles for Sale; both in good running order; must sell; any trial. Address "Z 1297, Motor Cycles," this office. 30 B

TRIUMPH Motor Cycles—1925 Models in stock for immediate delivery. Advise book order immediately. Also Spare Parts all Models.—Andrew J. Doyle, Triumph Motor Agent, 51 South King street, Dublin. Telephone 2721. T

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"WANTED, Motor Driver, capable driver; no other need apply.—F 821, this office.

DISENGAGED.

CHAUFFEUR Gardener disengaged; ten years' experience; any car; highly recommended.—No. 401, Irish Times Branch Office, Blackrock. 28 A

CHAUFFEURS CONTINUED.

DISENGAGED.

CHAUFFEUR Gardener seeks situation, indoor or outdoor; understands horses, etc.; good milker.—D 46, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 30 C

CHAUFFEUR Mechanic disengaged, all cars and repairs; understands acetylene and electric light plants, oil engines, etc.; strict T.T. Address "Z 1135, Mechanic," this office. 27 A

CHAUFFEUR, married, seeks engagement; 13 years city and country experience; highly recommended. Address "Z 1323, Chauffeur," this office. 2 D

EMPLOYMENT CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1.

BOOKKEEPER—Young Lady, eight years' experience, highest references, desires change; can prepare books for audit; interview arranged. Address "Z 1215, Bookkeeper," this office. 28 A

BOOKKEEPER (expert) seeks evening employment after 5.30 p.m.—F 816, this office. 31 D

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MANAGER, Grocery and Provisions; thoroughly capable; long experience; highest references; presently engaged. Address "Z 1269, Manager," this office. 30 E

QUALIFIED Bookkeeper or Bookkeeper Cashier, disengaged shortly; highest references.—F 749, this office. 30 C

SMART, energetic young Lady, 6 years' experience General Drapery, presently engaged, desires change; excellent references.—F 788, this office.

WORKS Manager or Foreman Mechanic; long experience; good references.—F 612, this office. 29 B

WELL educated young lady desires situation as Companion Help; highly recommended.—Box No. 1596, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast. 29 B

YOUNG Girl wishes to be Apprenticed Stationery and Fancy Goods; tall; nice appearance.—F 458, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 28 A

YOUNG Lady, 20, seeks employment; 3½ years' experience in city in grocery, provisions, and office work; highest references. Address "Z 1274, Assistant," this office. 30 A

YOUNG Gentleman presently engaged in trustworthy position, wishes to hear of a change to any other suitable position; work no objection; strict T.T. Apply, stating wages, F 641, this office. 30 A

YOUNG Lady desires post, daily; excellent cook, housework; experienced with children; any position of trust; highest references.—L. Y., Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 30 C

YOUNG Man desires small clerical position; Senior Grade certificates.—F 801, this office.

YOUNG Man who has Matriculated desires indoor Job. Address "Z 1255, Man," this office.

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

A BUTLER, £70, with house, furnished; Footman, £36.—Kennedy's, 68 Sackville street.

COOK General (man) required for business house; indoor; state wages expected and copies references. Address "Z 1271, Man," this office.

EXPERIENCED Man Servant required, under forty; good plate cleaner, waiter, valet; active, early riser; hall boy kept; four in family; enclose references; personal reference indispensable. Apply Colonel Quin, Castletown, Carrick-on-Suir. 31 X

PENSIONER required, R.I.C. preferred, active man, small house, wages 10/-, firing, etc. Address "Z 1251, Pensioner," this office. 29 A

WANTED, Trapper, trap rabbits, Co. Dublin.—F 713, this office. 30 A

WANTED, Protestant elderly Man for housework; country.—Mrs. Pounden, Ballywalter, Gorey. 2 D

MALE SERVANTS DISENGAGED.

AS Singlehanded Butler; age 30; R.C.; shortly disengaged.—Dorgan, Gormanston, Meath. 29 B

BUTLER wishes situation, city or suburbs; good indoor servant; valet gentlemen's clothes; 14 years last place; age 34, trustworthy, strictly sober. Apply F 813, this office. 31 D

GAMEKEEPER seeks situation; life experience, all branches; understands forestry, fisheries; good trapper, can be highly recommended. Address "Z 1195, Gamekeeper," this office. 28 A

GROOM; understands stallions, mares, hunters, break, school young horses.—Graham, Collinstown, Mullingar. 30 C

HERD, R.C. married, seeks situation; experienced man in all duties.—Lynch, Graigofold, Tullow. 28 A

HEAD Keeper can recommend good Rabbit Trapper; no gear; state terms. Address "Z 1324, Trapper," this office. 2 D

MARRIED Couple desire positions; Wife housework, dairy, poultry, no children; Man generally useful. Address "Z 1306, Couple," this office.

RESPECTABLE Youth (I.C.) seeks situation; milking, all general farm work; highly recommended.—Rev. Dr. Lindsay, Rectory, Rathowen, Westmeath. 28 A

YOUNG Man wishes situation, house or outdoor work; recommended.—F 752, this office. 30 C

YOUNG Man seeks situation as General; good plain gardener; highly recommended.—F 805, this office.

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS DISENGAGED.

ACTIVE Steward, Protestant, married, competent all duties.—Steward, Ballinacarriga, Kilworth, County Cork. 2 D

GARDENER (Working), understands all branches, wishes place, outdoor, round Dublin; state terms; Protestant.—F 365, this office. 27 A

GARDENER and General Man seeks situation; well recommended.—B 118, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 30 C

GARDENER or Steward and Gardener, experienced in all departments; single; excellent discharges. For full particulars apply Dickson's, 61 Dawson street. 31 B

LAND Steward, energetic, Protestant, single (35); good agriculturist, good judge stock, buying, selling; excellent accountant; references. Address "Z 1115, Steward," this office. 27 A

SINGLEHANDED Gardener or otherwise, thoroughly experienced, Dublin or convenient. Address "Z 1220, Gardener," this office. 28 A

DOMESTICS WANTED.

WANTED, for South of Ireland, strong Girl as General Help (indoor); able to milk if required; send copies references, stating age and wages expected. Address "Z 1233, Help," this office. 29 B

WANTED at once well trained Generals, Cook Generals, and Housemaids for city and country.—Miss Clifford, 5 South Frederick street.

WANTED, an experienced Lady's Maid for one lady, country; must be good needlewoman, packer, and renovator; Protestant. Address, giving particulars, age, etc., to "Z 1317, Maid," this office. 31 D

WANTED, a Betweenmaid; do washing and ironing, some housework; country.—Mrs. Feberstonhaugh, Killeen, Mountmellick. 2 D

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COOK General, R.C., for Castleknock; state age and wages, copies of discharges.—F 723, this office. 30 C

COOK General, well recommended, R.C., Wanted for country town; must cook well; young; other maid kept; small family; country girl preferred.—F 820, this office. 31 D

COOK General Wanted, Dundrum, end February; small family; £24 to £26; copies discharges. Address "Z 1325, Cook," this office. 2 D

COOK General Wanted for small family; girl 20 to 30; good outings and wages. Apply 21 Castlewood avenue, Rathmines.

GOOD Singlehanded Cook required; small dairy; wages £35; age 45; when replying copy reference must be sent. Address "Z 1226, Cook," this office. 29 B

DOMESTICS CONTINUED.

GOOD Cook Wanted for country place; good age, references, terms to Mrs. de la Poer, Gurteen le Poer, Kilsheelan. 30 B

WANTED, good Cook General and House Parlourmaid for newly built modern house, all comforts; wages £40 and £36; must have good references and experience.—"Isbedale," Renuil road, Hampstead, N.W.2. 28 A

WANTED immediately, good Cook General, for small country house; other servants kept; understands small dairy and fowl. Send copies references to Mrs. J. Murphy, Kilrush, Kilbeggan. 29 B

WANTED, a Cook (singlehanded), also House Parlourmaid, for house in suburbs Galway. Address, with references, stating wages required, "Z 1318, Cook," this office. 2 D

YOUNG Cook Wanted, R.C., country place, Kingstown district; good cooking essential; wages £30 £36. Particulars, copies, age, F 793, this office. 31 D

GENERALS WANTED.

A STRONG young Daily General Wanted; good house cleaner; no cooking; recommended; Pembroke.—F 807, this office. 30 B

EXPERIENCED General Wanted for Kingstown; wages £26-£28.—E 29, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 28 A

GENERAL Servant (superior) Wanted for doctor's house in London suburbs; must be good cook; small family, no washing, daily morning housemaid; £40. Send copies references to Mrs. Murphy, 174 Kingston road, Wimbledon, S.W. 19.

GENERAL Servant—Wanted, smart young Girl; Monkstown; £18. Apply 53 Dawson street.

SUPERIOR, experienced, well recommended General Wanted; good cooking essential; neither scrubbing, washing; family 3, Pembroke; wages £40—204, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge. 1 B

WANTED, General, R.C., to cook, wash, do all housework, help with invalid; family two; send copies references, state age, wages required.—Miss Daly, Moyne Lodge, Baldoyle. 28 A

WANTED, experienced General; good cook, washing; indoor; enclose copy of references, state wages and age; Clontarf.—F 510, this office. 29 B

WANTED, experienced General for South suburbs; wages £24. Reply, with copies references, F 651, this office. 30 A

WANTED, good General, singlehanded; must be well recommended; one lady. Call, between 1 and 3 o'clock, 66 Waterloo road. 30 C

WANTED, Sandymount, refined General, with experience; must be good plain cook; accustomed to children; country girl preferred; wages according to experience.—F 810, this office. 31 B

WANTED, superior young General, experienced. Call mornings, or evenings after 8, or write, 30 Waltham terrace, Blackrock.

WANTED, experienced General or Working Housekeeper, two in family. Address "Z 1321, General," this office. 2 D

WANTED immediately, experienced Protestant General, officer's family, Yorkshire, £45. Call 12 Duke street.

WANTED immediately, superior General Maid, Protestant, town house, Co. Kildare, two in family; good plain cooking; salary £23; best references only considered. Address "Z 1327, General Maid," this office. 1 D

YOUNG General Wanted. Apply Steyn, 24 Fitzwilliam place. 1 D

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS WANTED.

THOROUGHLY capable and experienced House Parlourmaid Wanted, age 30 to 36. Send references with application to Lady Murray, Barretstown Castle, Ballymore Eustace, County Kildare. 31 D

WANTED, young Country Girl as Housemaid; cook general kept; two in family; send copies of papers and wages required.—Mrs. Curey, Knockdromin, Lusk. 30 C

WANTED, a Housemaid; wages £28 to £30; three other maids kept.—Mrs. Waller, Belleisle, Portland, Birr. 31 C

WANTED for country house, near Dublin, experienced Housemaid; good needlewoman.—F 818, this office. 2 D

WANTED immediately, experienced Protestant H. P'maid, London, one lady. Please call 12 Duke st.

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WOMAN AND HER HOME.

TREATMENT OF FLOORS.

THE best method of covering or otherwise treating the floors of the home is always a matter for some consideration. There are three important aspects to be considered—viz.: appearance, comfort, and utility. Where these points can be favourably combined an ideal floor covering is produced.

Greatly in favour in the modern home is the stained-polished or painted floor, in conjunction with rugs or carpet squares. This method has much to commend it since a polished floor can be kept in good condition with very little effort, and the rugs or small carpet can be easily cleaned. There are many specially prepared floor stains on the market, in many shades to suit individual tastes. Not so well known, however, are the floor paints, which can be obtained in many charming shades, both bright and subdued.

A brightly painted floor, with harmonising rugs, gives the necessary colour to a room in an unusual manner. Painted floors are much in vogue in Australia. A special type of paint, non-chipping and hard-wearing, should be employed for the purpose, as an ordinary paint or enamel will not withstand the wear and tear to which a floor is subjected. Floor paints are manufactured for this purpose. Linoleum and cork carpets are also much in favour. Very charming shades and designs can now be obtained, suitable for all types of rooms. A dull red linoleum patterned to resemble tiles is particularly attractive in the kitchen premises, as it gives the cool effect of the tiled floor without the hardness to the feet and the difficulty of keeping clean.

Quite the best method of laying linoleum in the kitchen or elsewhere where it is subject to hard wear is by means of cement. The floor should first be covered with a lining felt, and then the linoleum cut very exactly and carefully, so that there are no cracks or spaces at seams and joins. Special linoleum cement should be spread on each side of the joins and weights or heavy bricks placed on the top until the cement is set. If this is done, there will be no danger of water, etc., getting under the linoleum and causing the wood beneath to rot.

It is a mistake to leave the surface untreated, so that the dirt can get into the pores of the material. The best method is to rub paste wax well into the surface after scrubbing once, and thus fill up the pores, so that only surface dirt is possible. This can be removed with an oil mop.

For ordinary linoleum covered floors a bi-weekly rubbing with milk is most satisfactory. The fat in the milk feeds the material and leaves just sufficient "shine" to give a good appearance without causing a slippery floor.

The milk method of treatment also takes considerably less time than ordinary washing and polishing.

MARY GWYNNE HOWELL.

RETURN OF TAPESTRY.

A WISE man once said, "Keep a thing seven years and you will find a use for it." This may be true of many things, but the householders of to-day who are lucky enough to possess old pieces of tapestry have had to wait rather more than seven years for tapestry to regain its place in the fashion world.

It was Eleanor of Castile, the wife of Edward the First, who introduced tapestry into England. These early relics were not the production of the loom, but of the needle, for which the British ladies were particularly celebrated.

Belgium is sometimes called "the land of the loom," because it was there that—in the ninth century—the Oriental art of tapestry-making was first practised in Europe. This art had long been cultivated by Moors and Saracens, and, doubtless, the first attempts of their Belgian and Flemish imitators were somewhat crude. In time, however, the imitators became originators. Great was their fame, and their work was quite literally worth "a king's ransom."

In 1396 Sultan Bajazet the First held as prisoner a son of that French King who was called "Philip the Hardy," and the ransom demanded for the Prince was "high warp tapestry, worked in Arras, in Picardy," which was to portray "good old stories."

The great master, Raphael, has immortalised his name by his designs for tapestry. He executed twenty-five Scripture subjects as copies for hangings at the request of Pope Leo X.; one set was intended to adorn the palace at Rome, the other as a present to Henry the Eight of England. Some say they were sent to Arras to be woven, others to Brussels, and the cost was immense, as they were enriched with gold and silver. Some of these splendid works are still in existence, and adorn the galleries of the Vatican at Rome. During the sacking of that city by the French in 1798 they fell into the hands of an Italian Jew, who destroyed one for the sake of the gold and silver contained in the threads; but his avarice was disappointed, so he resold the rest at a high price to Pope Pius VII., who replaced them.

There is a curious piece of tapestry preserved at Bayeux, in Normandy. It is said to be the work of Matilda of Flanders, wife of William the Conqueror. It is upwards of two hundred and twenty feet in length, and represents the conquest of England; the faces are supposed to be portraits.

There is a famous tapestry called Gobelin tapestry, called after the introducer, Giles Gobelin, who brought to the greatest perfection the fine scarlet dye which bears his name. A splendid display of Gobelin tapestry may be seen at Windsor Castle; some of it was a present from Charles X. of France to Queen Adelaide.

Once more fashion has decreed that we hang our walls with tapestry, and doubtless the poets of to-day will write, as Scott did of old, of—"Tapestry which waves dark round the dim-lighted hall."

F. E. D.

The Schoolboy Crop. — The Buster Shingle. — A jewelled headdress particularly adapted for hair once bobbed and now endeavouring to grow.

RINGS.

THOSE who follow the trend of fashion tell us that nowadays it is not proper or fashionable to wear rings as jewellery, and the eternal feminine will ever bow to the decree of fashion, for did not a wise one say—"Better to be dead than out of the fashion"?

It is probable that rings were originally worn as ornaments, though they were at an early stage of civilisation converted into articles of use. When few could read, and fewer still could write, it was necessary for there to be some private seal attached to the documents as a proof of their authenticity, and for this reason a ring or seal was worn, on the bevel of which the name or title of the owner was engraved.

In Rome ambassadors were the only persons allowed to wear rings, and even then they might only be worn on state occasions. In Sparta a curious law was passed which forbade the use of any metal other than iron in the composition of rings, but this law applied to Sparta only.

Signet rings were greatly in favour among the Greeks, and were set, as a rule, with engraved gems. Thumb rings, which must have been very ugly and ungainly, were worn from the fourteenth to the seventeenth century; and in "Henry IV." Falstaff boasts that in his youth he was slim enough to "creep into any alderman's thumb ring."

There are three seals used officially in England by, or in the name of, the Sovereign—the great seal, the privy seal, and signet. The Great Seal of England was first used by Edward the Confessor, and it is the Great Seal that is used on the writs summoning the Parliament and for sealing all State documents of importance. Some impressions of seals of Saxon Kings are in the British Museum.

It is interesting to know that the distinguished naturalist, Charles Waterton, possessed one of the finest collections of rings in Great Britain.

F. E. D.

FOR THE COOK.

FISH CREAM.

Ingredients. — Four ounces uncooked white fish (weighed after scraping), half gill milk, half ounce butter, half ounce breadcrumbs, pepper, salt, cream, squeeze lemon juice, one white egg, half pint white sauce.

Method.—Remove skin and bones from the fish, and scrape up finely; put milk, butter and breadcrumbs into a saucepan and cook over the fire until they form a soft mixture, allowing the crumbs to swell thoroughly; take off the fire, add pepper, salt, fish and lemon juice, whip the cream and add it to the mixture. Whisk white of egg and stir in lightly, pour into a well-buttered basin, cover with buttered paper, and steam for 20 minutes. Let it stand for a few minutes before turning out. Turn out on a hot dish, and coat with white sauce.

MACARONI AND MEAT BALLS.

Ingredients. — Two ounces macaroni, quarter pound cooked meat (tongue preferable), pepper, salt, cayenne, one egg, three tablespoonfuls breadcrumbs, fat for frying, quarter pint tomato sauce.

Boil the macaroni until tender, strain, and chop it finely. Chop the meat, mix it with the macaroni, add the pepper and salt, and the yolk of egg. Divide into four equal proportions, make into balls, brush over with the white of egg, roll in breadcrumbs, fry in deep fat. Serve with tomato sauce.

SAVOURY CUSTARD.

Ingredients.—One new-laid egg, pepper and salt, one gill beef-tea or chicken stock.

Beat up the egg, add pepper, salt, and warm beef-tea or stock, from which all fat has been removed. Pour into a buttered mould, and steam gently from

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Monday, February 2, 1925.

CUIRT ATHCHOMHAIRC CHOIRIULA (Court of Criminal Appeal). Sitting in Supreme Court, at 11 o'clock. Appeals—Attorney-General v. Mary Moynihan (1) Appeal against conviction (2) Leave to call further evidence; Attorney-General v. John Shine, appeal against sentence.

CUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS UACHTARAH (The Supreme Court of Justice). For to-morrow (Tuesday), 3rd February, at 11 o'clock. For Hearing. New Trial Motion—Howard v. O'Connor and Co., at hearing. Appeals—Moore and Allen; Aktiebolaget Transmarin v. MacNaughton and Son. New Trial Motion—Rush v. Murphy.

AN PRIMH BHREITHEAMH (Chief Justice). —In Lunacy—Before the Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock—Summons, Maxwell, Weldon and Co. Before the Assistant Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock—Statement, O'Keeffe and Lynch. Before the Examiner, at 11.30 o'clock—Discharge queries, Toomey. Chief Justice's Chambers—Before the Chief Clerk, at 11.30 o'clock—Talbot, a minor; Wilson, minors; Kearns, minors.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS (The High Court of Justice) — Court No. 3. Before Mr. Justice Meredith, at 11 o'clock. In Court. Motions — Hickey v. Hickey; Kenny v. Kenny; Whipp v. Mackey. At Chambers — O'Malley v. Crawford; Brown v. Governors, Royal Hospital for Incurables; M'Guirk, minors, and Trustee Act, 1893; Lynch v. S. L. Acts. In Court, at 12 o'clock. Action—Cahill v. Attorney-General (part heard). For Thursday, 5th February.—O'Kelly v. M'Carthy. For Tuesday, 3rd March—Lawlor v. Kelly. For Wednesday, 11th February—Mitchell v. M'Hugh. For Wednesday, 18th February—M'Court v. Lynch.

In COURT 2. Before Mr. Justice Murnaghan (at conclusion of "On Notice" list). At Chambers—E. Fitzgerald, decd., Fitzgerald v. Fitzgerald; Dublin, Glendalough, and Kildare Diocesan Widows' and Orphans' Fund and 52 Geo. III., c. 101; W. O'Connor, decd., Deere v. O'Connor; Hibernian Bank, Ltd., v. Moore; P. S. Hutchinson, decd., Stears v. Hutchinson; National Land Bank, Ltd., v. Neylan; Northern Banking Co., Ltd., v. Corcoran and Trustee Act, 1893; M. Kilgarriff, decd., Kilgarriff v. Kilgarriff; MacMahon v. M'Mahon, 1912, No. 294; Shannon v. Glover; Cooper v. Flynn; Hibernian Bank, Ltd., v. M'Call; Hovenden v. Spencer; Moore v. Moore; Irish National Insurance Co., Ltd., v. Ryan; Coffey v. Coall; Russell infants. Wednesday, 4th February. Action—Murphy v. Lowry (part heard). Wednesday, 11th February. Action—Hyland v. Cusack. Wednesday, 18th February. Action—Short v. Lambe. In Court 2. At 11 o'clock. Exparte Motions. Summonses—Lee and Co. v. Payne. On Notice—Cullen v. Larkin and others; Glover v. Bellingham; Molloy, Carroll and Co. v. Atlas Transport Co.; Henderson v. Thornton; Martin v. Martin; Smith v. Lawlor; Johnson and Perrott, Ltd., v. Roche; Rowles v. Tully; Healy v. Killeen; Milford Co-operative Creamery, Ltd., v. Irish Creamery Co.; Hunter Hall v. Byrne; Jennings v. Hoey.

TRIALS BY JURY. In Court No. 4, at 11 o'clock. City Common—Maguire v. Dempsey Bros. (breach of contract); Murphy v. Shea (money paid); Brown v. Carson (rent). A large attendance of City Common Jurors is required this morning at the Law Courts, the Castle, in Court No. 4 at 11 o'clock. The City Special Jurors need not attend until to-morrow (Tuesday), 3rd February. For Tuesday, 3rd February. City Special—Curraghboy Co-operative Farming Society, Ltd., v. Lynch (money lent). City Common—Kay v. Hickey (personal injuries); Geoghegan v. Watt, Ltd. (personal injuries). For Wednesday, 4th February. City Special—Goldberg v. Montgomery (personal injuries). City Common—Donnellan v. Carroll (probate); Murphy v. E. and T. Martin, Ltd. (breach of warranty); Holt and Sons, Ltd., v. Neligan and Co., and a counterclaim (goods sold). For Thursday, 5th February. City Common—O'Brien v. Waterford Co. Council (personal injuries); Feeto v. Kidds, Ltd., (personal injuries). For Friday, 6th February. Non-Jury—The Stoll Film Co., Ltd., v. Sexton (hire of films); O'Reilly v. Thompson (goods sold); Keegan v. Tracy (money due). For Monday, 9th February. City Special—Verso v. Scott (personal injuries). City Common—Rusk v. Fegan (breach of contract); Tarlo v. Morgan, and a counterclaim (possession).

CHAMBERS No. 1 (Room 38), at 11.30 o'clock.—Gargan v. Everitt; Bright v. Caldwell; M'Cann v. Scallan; Cronin v. Huggard; M'Kenna v. Moore; Corrigan v. Jones; Hungerford v. Hungerford; Hartnett v. Hartnett. Before the Assistant Chief Clerk (Room 62), at 11.30 o'clock—Duncan, Alderdice and Co. v. Devlin.

CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—Master Kilbride at 11 o'clock—Exparte Taxations. Braby v. Dublin Metal Co., Porter, Morris and Co.; Gorey Rural District Council to O'Flaherty, P. J. O'Flaherty and Son; Sheehy v. Gleeson, P. S. Connolly and Co. Master Denning at 11 o'clock—Bellingham v. Grimes, B. H. Beauchamp and Orr; Fitzpatrick to Shannon, W. J. Shannon and Co.; Charteris v. Savage, M'Mahon and Tweedy.

RECEIVER OFFICE.—Mr. Dickinson, Examiner, at 11 o'clock. Application for Directions—Keaveny v. Golden. At 11.30 o'clock. Receiver's Account—Cairns v. Leechman, from 19th ult., H. G. Robinson and Williams. Before Master Jackson, K.C., at 12.30 o'clock—Chase v. Flynn. Mr. Dickinson, Examiner, at 2.30 o'clock—Lady Ardilaun (Ash rent).

BANKRUPTCY.—Before the Chief Registrar at 11 o'clock—Gormley, vouch account, —; Cronin, prove debts and vouch, Meldon and Co.; M'Donagh, prove debts, J. Cusack; Mulvey, prove debts and vouch, Collins and Son; Monahan, prove debts, Thompson and Edwards; Quilty, account comp., Nork and O'Reilly; Ahern, vouch account, Porter, Morris and Co.; Farrelly, vouch account, B. Commins; arrangement, account comp., Collins and Son; do., do., S. G. Rutherford; Cahill, do., V. E. Kirwan; Walsh, vouch account, F. J. Allen; arrangement, vouch mortgagee account, Collins and Son; Isaacson, vouch account, Menton and Co.; Costello, do., Gerrard and Co.; arrangement, do., Collins and Son; do., prove debts, do.; do., account comp., P. M. Senior.

COIMISIUN CUIRTEANNA DHAIL EIREANN CRIOCHNU GNOTHA (Dail Eireann Courts (Winding Up) Commission)—Before the Chief Judicial Commissioner and Mr. Commissioner C. S. Kenny in Court No. 1, Dail Courts Commission Buildings, Caisleán, Baile Atha Cliath, at 11 o'clock. For Directions—M'Kenna v. Quilter; M'Auliffe v. Fuller. For Hearing—Reilly v. Gammons; Thompson v. Hillen and another.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS CHUARDA (Circuit Court of Justice).—At Court No. 5, The Castle, Dublin, at 11 o'clock—Tracey v. Dunphy (Town Tenants Act), for judgment; Carlos v. Warte, for judgment. Valuation Appeals—Thos. Moroney (appellant), the Commissioners of Valuation (respondents); Alex. Thom and Co., Ltd. (appellants), same (respondents). For To-morrow—MacSweeney v. Hutchinson; Fry (J.) v. Manning; Fry (E.) v. same; Guilfoyle v. Kernan; Hall v. Downes; Hayman v. Burns; Hoey v. M'Sherry; Irish Telephone Co. v. Gresham Hotel Co.; Kearney v. Rathmines U.D.C.; Kelly v. Geoghegan; Lowry v. Keenan; Meldon v. Gleeson; Maguire (P. J.) v. Brady; Maguire (Pk.) v. Brady.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.—At Examiners' Chambers. Before Mr. Stubbs at 11 o'clock—Joyce estate, discharge rulings and settle schedule. At 2.30 o'clock—George P. Lynch (E.C. 7693), vouch. Before Mr. Sullivan at 11 o'clock—R. S. Wrighton (E.C. 6274), discharge rulings. Before Mr. Longfield at 11.30—Eliza A. Longfield (E.C. 1441), vouch. Before Mr. Lest at 11 o'clock—Richard Rea and another (E.C. 7785). Before Mr. Brett at 11 o'clock—J. T. Callaghan and others (E.C. 7990), discharge rulings.

OIREACHTAS.—Private Bill Committees.—For to-morrow at 11.15 o'clock—Dublin United Tramways (Omnibus Services) Bill, recommitted. For Wednesday, 4th Feb., at 10.30 o'clock—East Leinster Electricity Supply Bill; Dublin Electricity Supply Bill; Dublin and District Electricity Supply Bill, resumed.

COURT OF THE RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.—For Wednesday, 25th Feb., in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin, at 11 o'clock—In the matter of the settlement of—The Great Southern Railways Supplemental Amalgamation Scheme, 1925, the Great Southern Railways Absorption (No. 1) Scheme, 1925; the Great Southern Railways Absorption (No. 2) Scheme, 1925; the Great Southern Railways Absorption (No. 3) Scheme, 1925; the Great Southern Railways Absorption (No. 4) Scheme, 1925; in the matter of the absorption by the Great Southern Railways Company of the Southern Railway Company.

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LEINSTER.

Fatal Motor Accident.—At Trim (Co. Meath) Circuit Court last Friday Columb McGarvey, Dublin, was found not guilty of the manslaughter of a boy named Joseph Water, who was knocked down by his motor car at Ross on the 1st November last.

Compensation Claim.—A claim for £305 compensation for the malicious burning of a hay barn and forty tons of first crop hay, has been lodged by Mr. Patrick Barden, Lismateige, Hugginstown, with Thomastown (Co. Kilkenny) Rural District Council.

Committed for Trial.—On a charge of concealment of birth, Mary Nolan, Killalish, at Baltinglass last week, was committed for trial at the next Criminal Session of the Wicklow Circuit Court. Thomas Moran, Greystones, who was charged with uttering four worthless cheques, was also committed.

Neglected Road.—When a road contractor, James Walsh, Mong, appeared before the Thomastown (Co. Kilkenny) Rural District Council last Friday to demand the payment of £11, which had been denied him because of his neglect to keep a certain road in good repair. It was stated that the road had been deliberately neglected, and the water tables were in such a state that the road was covered with water, so that a mule could hardly travel on it. The Chairman said that in future such contractors would not only have their quarter's pay deferred, but would be prosecuted.

CONNAUGHT.

Threat to Cut Off Light.—At a meeting of of Carrick-on-Shannon No. 1 Rural District Council last Saturday, a letter was received from the owner of the electric light station, threatening to cut off the light and water supply from the town unless payment was made immediately. The Chairman referred the matter to the Council's solicitor, remarking that, as near at Carrick was to the Shannon, it "would be both dry and dark from that evening."

MUNSTER.

Nenagh Lady's Bequests.—The late Mrs. Bridget Carroll, Connolly street, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary, bequeathed £40 to the Maynooth Mission to China, and £25 to the Convent of Mercy, Nenagh.

New Organ.—The ceremony of the blessing of the new organ at St. Finbarr's South Church was performed yesterday by the Bishop of Cork—the Most Rev. Dr. Cohalan—in the presence of a large gathering of clergy and laity. His lordship was assisted by the Very Rev. Canon Barrett, P.P., and the Very Rev. Canon O'Leary. High Mass was subsequently celebrated, the Very Rev. Canon Murphy, Adm., being the celebrant, the Rev. E. Fitzgerald, C.C., the deacon, the Rev. J. Walsh, C.C., subdeacon, and the Rev. A. Stritch, master of ceremonies.

Munster Agricultural Society.—Captain Clarke and Mr. A. Morrison have been re-elected president and hon. secretary, respectively, of the Munster Agricultural Society. The annual report, which was read last Saturday, stated that during the year a grant of £1,000 was received from the Department of Lands and Agriculture, about half being given on the condition that a similar amount would be subscribed locally. The Spring Show and Sale left a profit of £81. The total profit from the Summer Show was £400.

Clonakilty (Co. Cork) Dispensary Buildings, which had been occupied by National troops since August, 1922, were evacuated on Friday last. The nearest military post is now at Bandon, thirteen miles distant.

ULSTER.

An Early Spring?—A sparrow's nest, with four young ones, has been found near Creeve Castle, Co. Monaghan. The discovery is regarded as an indication of an early spring.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

"Humours of Parliament."—The Right Hon. Thomas Moles, M.P., delivered a lecture at Caledon, Co. Tyrone, last Friday night on "Humours of Parliament."

Passing of Old Market Bell.—The belfry of the market bell at Aughnacloy, Co. Tyrone, which had been used for over 100 years, has been locked up, and, for the time being, a hand bell will be used to announce the opening of the markets.

Accident on Belfast Ship.—When at work on board the ss. Wicklow Head at Derry quays last Friday, a docker named Edward Moore, aged 40, fell to the bottom of the hold, a drop of 40 feet. At the infirmary an examination revealed two fractures of the skull, as well as injuries to the spine.

"Team-Work" Needed in Church.—Three hundred church workers assembled in the Parochial Hall, Lurgan, last Friday evening to welcome the newly-appointed Rector of Shankill Parish—the Rev. Canon A. G. Hannon. After tea was served Canon Hannon addressed the gathering. Remarking that he admired the efforts of the "All Blacks'" team in the recent tour, he said that they, as church workers, were to work together as one team and the value of their work would be increased ten-fold.

PLATFORM, SCREEN AND STAGE.

DUBLIN PROGRAMMES.

This is the last week of the Gaiety Theatre's pantomime, but the show is not being "taken off" because its popularity has waned, but because other arrangements had been made. Children and "grown-ups" have filled the auditorium at every performance; the *matinees*, especially, have been so well attended, even since the school holidays ended, that it would have been worth while to have given more. Acting, singing, "gagging," costumes and scenery are as fresh as in the Christmas week. Miss "Teddie" Butt, as Cinderella—who is to have a benefit performance next Friday—has captivated many hundred hearts, while the McNaughtons, the Scholeys, and Frank Varney have raised thousands of laughs. Jock Naughton takes his "benefit" to-morrow night. Malvina, a clever violinist, and Fred Seker's jazz musicians have been notable assets to a company which is an all-round good one. Undoubtedly "Cinderella" is the best pantomime that the Gaiety has had for many years.

Sybil Vane, Welsh singer, will be the principal artist at the variety entertainment at the Theatre Royal this week. She will be assisted by Leon Dongue, pianist. Other performers include Wal Langtry, comedian; Elkins, Fay and Elkins; J. A. Powers, Scotch humourist, and Dene Dunlop, character comedian.

Humour, singing, ventriloquism and electrical demonstrations are embraced in Dr. Walford Bodie's *revue*, to be performed at the Olympia Theatre. He will be assisted by Mlle La Tesla, Dolly Robson, Cissie Shearer, Mlle. Marcetta, and Madame Roma. Dr. Bodie claims to be able to pass 240,000 volts through his body and melt thick copper wire with the current, which flows from his hands.

The London *revue*, "Brighter Nights," will be performed at the Queen's Theatre.

At the Abbey Theatre to-morrow and nightly during the week George Fitzmaurice's comedy, "The Country Dressmaker," and Conal O'Riordan's "An Imaginary Conversation" will be played.

Archie Hill, tenor, and Frederick Culpitt, magical comedian, head the programme at the Tivoli Theatre this week. Other artists are Miss Jan Glenrose, Tom Dean, Fred Retter, Phil Haydock, Vera Rudd and Partner, and La Fleur.

At La Scala Theatre "Zeebrugge" will be shown. It deals with the raid by naval forces in Zeebrugge Harbour, used during the war as a "nest" for submarines by the Germans.

"Foolish Wives" will be shown at the Carlton Cinema.

"Abraham Lincoln" will be shown at the Metropole Cinema. It is a story of historical interest.

Pola Negri and Jack Holt will appear in "The Cheat," also Jack Dempsey, boxer, in the first series of pictures, "Fight and Win," on Tuesday and Wednesday. On the other three nights "The Neglected Woman" will be shown.

FORTHCOMING RECITAL.

Mr. Adolphe Borschke, who played in Dublin rather more than a year ago, and has since performed in other towns in the Free State, will give another recital at the Theatre Royal, Dublin, next Saturday. Of Polish-Austrian origin, he studied successively at the Vienna Conservatoire (which he entered at the age of five) and with Emil Saver and Leschetizky. Brought up in the Liszt traditions, his playing and his own compositions lean towards brilliance of technical display on the pianoforte; and his operatic "paraphrases" have attracted great attention. At the recital next Saturday Mr. Borschke will play a paraphrase of Tchaikowsky's opera, "Eugene Onegin."

BOAT CLUB DANCE.

Dublin University Boat Club Dance will take place in the Metropole Restaurant, Sackville street, next Friday from 9.30 p.m. till 3.30 a.m.

MUSICIAN'S JUMP FROM LINER.

HALIFAX, Saturday.

M. Scheutz, an Austrian 'cellist, who had been called home to visit his mother, who is seriously ill, jumped overboard from the s.s. Orduna a few hours out from here.

Orders had been given by the ship's doctor that he should be watched, but he eluded the ship's officers.

Scheutz was well supplied with money, and had a costly wardrobe.—(Reuter.)

The conference of the British Federation of Confectioners' Associations in Newcastle last Saturday adopted a resolution urging the need for a reduction in stamp duties in receipt and cheque stamps.

The funeral of Miss Honoria Galwey, aged ninety-five, the daughter of the late Archdeacon Galwey, took place at Londonderry. She was the composer of many Irish melodies.

AUCTION BRIDGE.

(CONDUCTED BY "PALOMAR.")

Competition No. 42.

PRIZE £2 2/-

1. The prize will be awarded to the competitor who sends in the play of the hand given below equal, or nearest, to the rendering of "Palomar," who will give reasons for any special features.
2. One side only of a sheet of paper must be used.
3. All entries must be addressed to "Palomar," *Irish Times*, Dublin, and must arrive not later than the first post on next Friday.
4. "Palomar's" decision on all points shall be considered as final, and no correspondence will be entered into on the subject of the competition.
5. All entries must be accompanied by the upper part of this article, which should be cut out.

AB are partners against YZ. "Z" is always the dealer, and "A" is on his left.

PLAY THE HAND AS IF ONLY DUMMY'S WAS EXPOSED.

SCORE—Love-all.

Y: Sp. 8 6 5; H. 4 2; D. Q J 2; Cl. A Q J 10 9

A: Sp. A K Q 7 4 3; H. 6; D. 9 7 4 3; Cl. 7 4

B: Sp. J 9 2; H. K 9 7 5; D. 10 6; Cl. 8 6 5 3

Z: Sp. 10; H. A Q J 10 8 3; D. A K 8 5; Cl. K 2

BIDDING.

Z.	A.	Y.	B.
3 H.	3 Sp.	4 H.	No bid.
No bid.	No bid.		

Commence the game thus:—

Tricks.	A.	Y.	B.	Z.
1.	K Sp.			

Place next lead below winning card. Star the winners, or draw line underneath. Number the tricks in rotation, and always give the result and reasons for play.

Result of Competition No. 41.

We have pleasure in announcing that the winner is Mr. J. S. Mathews, Mount Hanover, Drogheda—the only competitor who succeeded in solving the problem correctly.

THE PLAY.

Tricks.	Y.	B.	Z.	A.
1.	A Cl.*	5 Cl.	2 Cl.	6 Cl.
2.	4 Cl.	K Cl.*	3 Cl.	5 D.
3.	2 Sp.	4 Sp.	K Sp.*	8 Sp.
4.	9 Cl.	J Cl.	Q Cl.	9 Sp.*
5.	3 Sp.	7 Sp.	A Sp.*	Q Sp.
6.	3 H.	2 D.	10 Cl.	10 Sp.*
7.	8 Sp.	3 D.	7 Cl.	J Sp.*
8.	6 H.	4 H.	7 H.	A H.*
9.	9 H.	5 H.	10 H.	J H.*
10.	4 D.	8 H.	8 Cl.	6 Sp.*
11.	6 D.	Q H.	K H.*	2 H.
12.	10 D.	Q D.*	8 D.	9 D.

"A" wins the thirteenth trick with his Ace of Diamonds.

Result:—AB win the contract and the game.

I am afraid this hand will be found a little more difficult than usual. It is to show the use a declarer can make of any trumps over at the end to "Squeeze" an opponent, and force discards he cannot afford to make, thus enabling a game to be won which would otherwise be lost. In the play of this hand declarer makes use of his 13th trump to compel a discard from "Z" at Trick 10.

"A's" bid of three was a bit venturesome, seeing that "B" had shown no sign of life, but he wants a dash at the game, also it is a defensive measure against the clubs.

The declarer notes at Trick 3 that "Z" had nothing in clubs higher than the queen; therefore, his bid of 2 no-trumps marks him with the two red kings. If both of these are allowed to take a trick, the contract cannot be won, as YZ have still the ace of trumps, and would thus make five tricks in all. "A" does not lead hearts and finesse the knave at Trick 3, prior to leading trumps, as he is willing to let "Z" win the second round of hearts with the king. If three tricks in hearts can thus be secured, "A's" object is achieved. If not, "Z" must be forced to open diamonds up to dummy's queen.

At Trick 6, as the declarer is playing for the hearts, he discards a diamond. Note that "Y" has discarded a heart.

At Trick 9, "Z" tries to shut out dummy by holding up his king of hearts. If "Z" had won the trick, dummy's two hearts, with ace of diamonds, and the long trump, would at once have given "A" the contract and game.

"A" must now compel "Z" to open diamonds, but cannot afford to give him the lead if he holds the last club, as he could then throw back the lead by forcing "A" to trump it.

"A" must, therefore, put "Z" to a discard by leading the trump.

TWO THATCHED HOUSES GUTTED.

A thatched dwellinghouse, occupied by Mr. Michael Seymour, near Ballycommon, Co. Tipperary, was burned to the ground last Friday night, the fire being due, it is believed, to a defective flue. Neighbours endeavoured to extinguish the flames in vain.

A chimney fire in the townland of Derryclone, near Lurgan, Armagh, resulted in the destruction of a thatched dwellinghouse, the property of Mr. Daniel Campbell, dairy farmer. Some furniture was saved.

Insurance at low rates with Phœnix Assurance Co., Ltd. 10-12 Trinity street, Dublin.—J. R. Warner, Manager. Agents everywhere —(Advt.)

The work of re-building Goresbridge Railway Station, Co. Kilkenny, which was burned by Republicans in December, 1922, was begun last Friday.

NO BOUNDARIES IN GOLF.

PUBLIC COURSE FOR DUBLIN.

ABOLISHING CLASS DISTINCTIONS.

The influence which the game of golf is exercising on the efforts which are being made in the direction of bringing the people of the North and the South together formed the theme of a speech delivered by Mr. P. J. Lawrence at the annual dinner of the Sutton Golf Club last Saturday in the Imperial Restaurant, Dublin.

Mr. Lawrence said that he had not proposed the toast of the Golfing Union of the Irish Free State, but of the Golfing Union of Ireland, and that Union and the gentlemen behind that Union were one and indivisible. If the Golfing Union existed for no other purpose than to help to bring about a union of the sportsmen, the business men and the professional men of the whole of Ireland, they deserved their best respect and their best thanks. If the people of the North and the South only worked along the same lines as the Golfing Union the boundary would disappear, and the Boyne would be dried up in no time.

Ireland, continued Mr. Lawrence, was the common mother of every Irishman and, he might say, the adopted mother of large numbers of Englishmen and Scotsmen; and would that the men of the South would betake themselves to Antrim and, looking down from the hills on to the lovely Antrim glens, say to themselves, "This is my land"; and would, at the same time, that the men of Belfast or Portadown would come up to Dublin, wend their way to Wicklow, the garden of Ireland, and from that to Kerry, and, amidst the rugged majesty of those great mountains of Kerry, gaze around them and say to themselves, "This is my land"!

The Golfing Union were doing their part in that respect. (Applause.) He alluded to the visit of the Rotarians to the North the previous week, and said that the people with whom he came in contact on that occasion were as anxious to have the boundary abolished as they in the South were.

Passing to the subject of public golf, Mr. Lawrence said that he hoped he was not giving away a secret when he told them that public golf in Dublin was likely to become a reality in the near future. Dr. Price was one of the first to advocate public golf for Dublin; he was one of the first to recognise the necessity of bringing all classes together for the purpose of playing the game and abolishing class distinctions. Anything that could be done to bring all classes together in any game or sport was worthy of their admiration. He hoped before long to see the movement a complete success. When that time came he could imagine Dr. Price, as Honorary Secretary of the Golfing Union of Ireland, in charge of the first competition in the Phœnix Park, with the list of the competitors in his hand, calling on the first pair, the Governor-General and Billy Byrne, from the Coombe, to take their places on the teeing ground. (Applause.) That was the spirit that they wanted to cultivate in golf, and that was the spirit in which they wanted it to be played.

Dr. Price, in responding to the toast, said that there was one thing certain, that the Golfing Union of Ireland recognised no boundary; whether it was North, South, East or West, it was all the same so far as the Union was concerned, and they all sincerely hoped that the example which the Union and other sporting bodies were setting would have the effect of bringing all classes in the country together. He had just returned from Liverpool, where they had held a meeting of the Joint Advisory Committee. They had accomplished a lot of very excellent work, the nature of which he was not at liberty to disclose.

He could tell them, however, that they had formulated a scheme, but it would not affect Ireland; for as regards the handicapping and scratch scores for courses they in Ireland had been working for a long time by rule of thumb, and the result of the deliberations would not affect their scratch scores. Golf was now coming down amongst the people, and he hoped that their public golf course would set an example to all the municipalities in the country. Public golf would be a great influence in the national welfare of the country. (Applause.)

"Our Guests" was given by Mr. Thornley, and responded to by Mr. L. Wickam, of the Milltown Club: and "Sutton Golf Club," proposed by Mr. Walter Beckett, was responded to by the captain of the club, Mr. Maguire, who said that for its size the club was in as strong a position financially as any in the country.

Over one hundred members of the club, ladies and men, attended, and the musical items on the programme were rendered by Mr. G. Wright, Miss May Doyle, Madame Lena Keogh, Mr. Irvine Lynch, Mr. Cathal McGarvey, Miss Romaine and Mr. Sidford, Mr. J. McGrath being at the piano.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IN THE SOUTH.

ALARMING PERCENTAGE OF ABSENTEES.

Mr. John F. Hanly, County Chairman, who presided at a meeting of the National Teachers of Limerick City and County on Saturday, said that while under foreign domination it was their constant cry that they were starved educationally; that they were the most backward nation in Europe. In three years of native rule they had hoped to see the barriers to their education advancement disappear, but in that period they found from forty to fifty children out of every hundred of school-going age absent daily from school. The criminal indifference of parents regarding attendance must be met by legislation. While giving credit to the Ministry for the development of the native tongue, in the present conditions he doubted its value as a school subject. Owing to irregular attendance and the early age that they leave school, in the case of a language heard for the first time little progress can be made. Yet, that was what was happening, and, so far, no effort had been made by the Government to remedy it.

THE CASE OF THE NORTH.

Mr. McMillis said that, with regard to educational matters in the North, the Act of 1923 was now in operation in Belfast and Derry, and would soon be in the rural districts. There was some controversy on the religious aspect of the Act, but that had been narrowed down to Bible reading. He expected that the same facilities will be allowed for religious teaching in the future as in the past. One result of the operation of the Act was a ninety per cent. attendance at the schools. The people in the North had taken the Act into their own hands, and had adopted its provisions. In a short time they hoped to have in the North the best educational system in the British Isles. And in that respect it might not be a bad thing to have partition to give a head line to the South. (Applause.)

He had observed from the Press that the Minister of Education in the Free State would be engaged for a considerable time on the Boundary Conference. While on that question he wished to say that the boundary question would not be settled by the Commissioners or by politicians. The question would be settled by the people—the business people—when the politicians failed. If the Minister of Education was to be engaged for the next year on that Commission, some one should be appointed to take control of education. (Applause.) The education question was left too long in abeyance. In the North the first thing that they did was to explore ground, but in the South they had done nothing. If they did not make a move forward the Government should make room for people who would do so.

Resolutions were adopted calling for compulsory attendance, the re-assembling of the National programme conference calling on the Executive to secure the terms of the resolution passed at Congress regarding pensions and protesting against the ten per cent. reduction in salaries.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL FUND.

The grand total of the St. Paul's Cathedral Preservation Fund last night reached £215,063 2s. 0d., the amount received by *The Times* during the week-end being £3,558 2s. 6d.

Complete co-ordination of the wholesale confectionery trade is to be attempted, it was stated at the British Federation of Confectioners' Associations in Newcastle.

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REVOLVER DRAWN.

COUNTY MEATH COUNCILLORS IN COURT.

Mr. Patrick Moore, a large farmer, and a former member of the Meath County Council, was charged at Trim last Friday with attempting to shoot Mr. Martin O'Dwyer, Vice-Chairman of the Meath County Council, in licensed premises on the 2nd September last. He conducted his own defence.

It was stated that Mr. O'Dwyer and the publican knocked defendant down and took a revolver from him. Mr. O'Dwyer denied ever having threatened to shoot the defendant, or having told the defendant that he would "get it yet."

The publican (Joseph M'Donnell) said that he did not know whether the defendant had his index finger on the trigger of the revolver, or whether he attempted to pull the trigger.

Addressing the jury, the defendant said that he had not an hour's peace for the last four years, and had bought the revolver for protection. His house was raided, and he was put into a hovel that was not fit to house a dog. He told his captors that if ever he got his liberty he would help the British authorities—then controlling the country—to round them up. He had endeavoured to prevent the Protestant houses in Co. Meath from being raided. He added, that he had no intention of shooting Mr. O'Dwyer.

The defendant was found guilty, and Mr. O'Dwyer appealed to the judge to set him free.

The defendant was bound over in his own surety of £500 and two others of £250 each, to be of good behaviour for two years, a sentence of twelve months' imprisonment being recorded.

NEWSPAPER PRESS FUND.

ANNUAL MEETING IN DUBLIN.

"The Newspaper Press Fund has done much up to the present, and is prepared to do more," declared Mr. W. Chas. Chillingworth, at the annual general meeting of the Dublin and Irish Association District of the Fund.

The report submitted by Mr. A. J. Murphy, Hon. Secretary, stated that the year 1924 had been, as regards grants and annuities, a record one in the history of the Fund, the total reaching £13,861. The highest total previously reached was £11,635 in 1923. The donations received during 1924 amounted to £11,439. In the Dublin District the grants totalled £574 10s., while a new record was also established in membership, the figure now standing at 143, as against 122 at the close of 1923. Six deaths of members occurred during the year, and seven were removed from the list for non-payment of subscriptions. A tribute was paid to the valuable services of Mr. J. P. Gaynor, one of the founders of the District and its first secretary for many years, who was about to leave for Belfast.

It was announced that the date of the annual concert had been provisionally fixed for April 19 next in the Theatre Royal.

Mr. W. J. Ryan, in proposing the adoption of the report, referred to recent events affecting the profession in Dublin as showing the necessity for journalists becoming members of the Fund. Although the past year had been one of many trials, the work constituted a distinct advance for the Press Fund. He paid a warm tribute to Mr. Gaynor, with whom he had been associated in the formation of the Dublin District. (Applause.)

Mr. M. J. Callan seconded the report, and expressed great regret at the coming departure of Mr. Gaynor.

Mr. Chillingworth, in putting the report to the meeting, said that the Press Fund had "made good." It was prepared to do everything that was required on behalf of journalists who needed assistance, and their dependents. He could assure the members that the Council in London would give an attentive and sympathetic ear to all their demands, whether large or small.

Mr. Gaynor, whose departure they all regretted, was one of the small band of workers who, in face of great difficulties, had brought about the extension of the Press Fund's activities to this country. It was to these pioneers that those who were now reaping the benefits of the Fund owed everything.

The report having been unanimously adopted, Mr. Gaynor replied to the tributes that had been paid to him.

The following were declared members of the Committee for the coming year:—Messrs. W. Chas. Chillingworth, A. J. Murphy, T. Quilty, T. W. Murphy, M. J. Callan, J. V. Mahony, J. P. Gaynor, W. J. Ryan, J. F. Walsh.

In view of the exceptional circumstances of the time, it was decided unanimously that Mr. Chillingworth and Mr. A. J. Murphy, Chairman and Hon. Secretary respectively, should continue in office for another year.

ULSTER JOURNALISTS MEET.

The annual meeting of the Ulster District of the Institute of Journalists was held in Belfast on Saturday night, Mr. Thomas Boyd, *Ballymena Telegraph* (Chairman), presiding.

Mr. Sydney Blackburn, Hon. Secretary, read the annual report, which was of a satisfactory character, as was also the financial statement, which was submitted by Mr. Robert Orr, B.A.

The following appointments were made for the ensuing year:—Chairman, Captain Robert Stirling; Vice-Chairman, Mr. James McCarrison; Representative on the Council, Right Hon. Thomas Moles, M.P.; Representative on the Orphan Fund, Mr. R. M. Sibbett; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Robert Orr, B.A.; Hon. Auditor, Sir Robert Baird, K.B.E.; Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. S. H. Mansfield.

Committee:—Major William Baird, J.P.; Messrs. John Shannon, J.P.; R. M. Sayers, Frank Johnston, Thomas Boyd, W. A. E. Withers, J. F. Charleson, R. P. P. Hayes, Alexander Clarke, Thomas Moore, W. L. Doggart and J. A. Kennedy.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

HUNTING IN IRELAND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I was glad to see by your issue of this date that you intend to deal with the prevention of the trapping of foxes in Ireland, which would be the cause of such national loss. It would seem a natural consequence of the destruction that the Government—for the preservation of sport in Ireland—should obtain an Act making it illegal not only to trap a fox in Ireland, but to have in possession the skin or pelt of a fox, other than the skin of a Siberian fox or other such animal imported into the British Empire. In the absence of such an Act it would seem that public opinion may be strong enough to deal with the matter and avert the danger anticipated.

Recently I have only seen worn in Dublin three fox skins. I saw several fox skins exposed in the windows of Dublin furriers for sale—possibly due to anxiety to get rid of goods which in the near future may be unsaleable. Your timely and necessary articles will make known the danger to which we are exposed and the undoubted result of the destruction of foxes in Ireland.—Yours, etc.,

J. T. HUDSON.

Dublin, January 31st, 1925.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Surely the preservation of foxes, as well as the preservation of game and fishing, lies with the farmers and owners of land. The cause of the destruction of foxes, game and fish is the apathy and slackness in asserting the rights of owners, who allow every Tom, Dick and Harry on their land to hunt, trap and snare.

The following are obvious remedies:—

(1) Let owners rigorously prosecute trespassers. They can deal with rabbits themselves or by making a contract with a trustworthy trapper.

(2) Let the Government instruct the Civic Guard to give owners every assistance in apprehending trespassers.

(3) Let the Government instruct the district magistrates to inflict more severe penalties on convicted trespassers.

As stated in the article in to-day's issue, many who had no encouragement to do so have remained in the country largely on account of the hunting. Shooting is almost destroyed. Fishing has been spoiled. If hunting is destroyed, I do not think that many of these will remain much longer. When they go their share of taxation will have to be borne by those who remain. Well! It is their look out.—Yours, etc.,

"HUNTING."

County Dublin, January 31st, 1925.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I have read with much interest the articles on hunting and the threatened danger from trapping foxes. May I suggest that one good way to prevent trapping would be for Masters to hunt the country over which they hold sway? In times like these no one can expect people to sit down calmly and cast a blessing to the fox who steals their poultry. Compensation is seldom asked for and people take the law into their own hands—not so much for the sake of the pelt as to save their poultry.

I believe that there is still sufficient sporting instinct in Irish people of all classes to give the foxes a chance if they have the pleasure of seeing "the hunt" occasionally.—Yours, etc.,

"WEXFORD."

Enniscorthy, January 31st, 1925.

IRELAND'S GATEWAYS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—In an article in your issue of January 20th there is a suggestion that the inspection of luggage should take place between Holyhead and Kingstown. I trust that that suggestion will remain a suggestion. I have recently had the experience of having my luggage examined on board outside Tilbury, and I most sincerely hope that I shall never have such an experience again. From the traveller's point of view it is most trying, and for the old and infirm it is quite hopeless.

With regard to the delay at Kingstown, may I make one suggestion, which may, or may not, be practicable? Let the luggage for Westland Row be sent straight on, and be examined at Westland Row, where it could be carried out in much better conditions than at Kingstown.—Yours, etc.,

"TRAVELLER."

London, January 30th, 1925.

HOUSING IN THE FREE STATE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Referring to the recent general meeting of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland, I should like to supply an important omission from your report which appears in to-day's issue. Before the conclusion of the meeting our Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Daniel S. Doyle, suggested, in accordance with the tenour of the paper on the housing problem that had just been read, that the Society should form a committee to give practical assistance in the solution of the question. The Vice-President, Sir William Thompson, warmly welcomed the suggestion, and it was unanimously agreed upon to bring it forward at the next meeting of the Council.—Yours, etc.,

JOSEPH MAGUIRE, Member of Council.

14 Elgin road, Dublin,
January 31st, 1925.

KERRYMAN'S DEBT.

DETECTIVES' 900-MILE JOURNEY

Two London warrant officers travelled over 900 miles at a cost of £19 6s. 4d. to arrest a man in County Kerry for a debt of £78 under an order of the Court.

When the man was before the Marylebone County Court last Saturday a friend paid £5 off the debt and the police expenses, and the man was allowed to return to Ireland on promising to pay the remainder of the debt by weekly instalments.

Mr. W. J. Gresson, Master of the Croome Hunt, has resigned.

KEEP YOUR FOOT OFF THAT PEDAL

Many motorists use the clutch pedal as a foot rest. This is a bad habit which imposes undue wear on the clutch and the withdrawal mechanism, and originates in the need for constant gear changing. Run on "BP" Motor Spirit and gear changing is reduced to a minimum, for "BP" enables engines to develop maximum power and climb hills on top that would ordinarily call for an intermediate gear. In traffic, too, "BP" permits of a performance on top that makes constant changing unnecessary.

"BP" *Motor Spirit*

Irish B.P. Company Ltd., 91-93 Middle Abbey St. Dublin

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

The following is a return of the business done on the Dublin and Belfast Stock Exchanges last week in each department, except Consols and War Loans. The day on which the business was done is indicated by the initial letter in parenthesis, and dealings in odd lots are marked by an asterisk:—

DUBLIN.

National Loan—*93¾ (M.), *93¾ (T.), *93¾ (W.), 94 (Th.), *94 (F.).
Do. Deed—93¾ (M.), 93¾ (T.), 93¾ (W.), 93¾ (Th.), 93¾ (F.).
Compensation Stock—92 (M.), *91¼ (Th.), 91¼, 1 (F.).
Guaranteed Land—56½ (W.), *56½ (Th.), 57 (F.).
2¾ p.c. Land Act—58½ (W.).
3 p.c. Land Act—64 (M.).
Belfast Stock, 1928—91½ (F.).
Dublin Stock—70b (F.).
Dublin Port—56b (F.).
Rathmines Stock—66½ (F.).
Bank of Ireland—*287½c. (M.), 287½c. (W.), 287½c. (Th.), *287½c., 7½c. (F.).
Hibernian Bank—8¼ (M.), 8¼ (T.), *8¼ (F.).
Munster and Leinster Bank—*6½ (M.), *6½ (T.), 6½ (W.), 6½ (Th.), 6½ (F.).
National Bank—20¼ (M.), *20¼, 20 (T.), 20 (W.), 20 (Th.), *20¼ (F.).
Provincial Bank—*22 (F.).
Royal Bank—*13¼ (M.), 14, 14c. (T.), 14 (Th.).
Canadian Pacific Pref.—81¼ (Th.).
Co. Down 4 p.c. Deb.—70½b., 71a (F.).
Great Northern Ord.—*56 (T.), 56 (W.), *56 (Th.), 55½ (F.).
Do. Pref.—*58½ (M.), 59½b. (T.), *60 (W.).
Do. Guar.—*61 (T.).
Do. Deb.—70½ (M.), 70 (W.).
Great Southern Ord.—35½ (M.), 35 (T.), 35 (W.), 34½ (Th.), 34½ (F.).
Do. Pref.—48 (M.), *47½ (W.), 47½ (Th.), 47½ (F.).
Do. Guar.—57 (M.), 58 (T.), 58 (W.), 58½ (Th.).
Do. Deb.—65½ (M.), 66½, ½ (T.), 67 (W.), 67½, ½ (Th.), 68b. (F.).
Lon., Mid., Scot. 1923 Pf.—81 (F.).

Arnott Pref.—70/-b. (F.).
Alliance Gas—6½ (M.).
Alliance Gas Deb.—65 (F.).
Bolands Ord.—45/-b (M.), *46/- (T.), 47/- (Th.), 47/- (F.).
Bolands Deb.—6½ (M.).
British and Irish Steam Pref.—*13/3 (M.), 13/- (Th.).
Barry Ostlere—68/7½ (T.).
Bleachers—67/- (T.), 65/10½ (W.), 64/6 (F.).
Bradford Dyers—86/-b, 86/3a (T.), 84/6 (W.).
British American Tobacco—108/6, 3d. (M.), 108/6 (T.), 108/6 (W.), 108/1½ (Th.), 108/1½ (F.).
Brunner Mond—*43/-. (M.), 42/9 (T.), 42/3b, 42/9a (W.), 42/7½ (Th).
Brooks Thomas Pref.—*16/- (W.).
Burke Ord.—*83/6 (M.), *83/6 (T.), *83/6, 6d. (W.).
Burke Pref.—72/6, 1/-, (M.), 72/- (T.), *73/- (W.), 73/- (F.).
Burke Deb.—9 (M.), 9 (Th.).
British Controlled Oil Com.—19/4½ (T.); do. Pref.—*19/- (F.).
Coats—66/3 (M.), *66/3, 5/6 (T.), *65/3 (W.), 65/3, 6d. (Th.), 64/9 (F.).
Coats B Pref—24/- (T.).
Crowe Wilson Ord.—14/3 (W.).
Crowe Wilson Pref.—*15/- (M.), 15/6 (W.).
Chartered (B.S.A.)—21/6 (Th.), 21/6 (F.).
Courtaulds—70/10½ (M.), 70/6 (T.), 70/-, 3d. (W.), 69/6, 9d. (Th.), 69/7½ (F.).
Courtaulds Pref.—*19/4½ (M.), 19/9 (W.), *19/6 (Th.).
Dunlops—11/1½, *1½d. (M.), *11/-, *1½d. (T.), 11/- (W.), 11/3, 7½d. (Th.), 11/10½ (F.).
Distillers Co. Ord.—61/3 (M.), 61/6 (T.), 59/3 (Th.).
Dublin Distillers—*60/-, 60/6, 60/- (M.), 59/-, 8/-, 1/9, 49/-, 8/6, 8/-, *7/6 (T.), 45/-, 7/-, 6/-, 7/-, *8/-, 7/6 (W.), 45/-, 4/6, 4/-, 3/6, 40/-, 2/6, 1/3 (Th.), 42/6, 2/- (F.).
Dublin Distillers Pref.—97/6 (M.), 95/-, 7/6, 2/-, 2/6 (T.), *90/- (W.), 89/-, 7/- (Th.), 88/9 (F.).
Dublin Tram—6½ (M.), 6½ (T.), *6½ (Th.).
Dublin Tram A Deb.—68½ (Th.).
Dublin Artisans' Dwellings—6/ (W.), 6½ (Th.).
Dublin City Market Deb.—62½ (M.).
Fine Spinners—59/3 (T.), 59/3 (W.).
Grand Canal Ord.—37/6 (T.), 40/- (Th.).
Grand Canal Pref.—65/-b., 70/-a. (F.).
Guinness—49¾, 49⅝ (M.), *50¼, ¼, ⅛ (T.), 50¼, ⅛c. (W.), 51¼, ¼, ¼ (Th.), 51¼, *¼ (F.).
Guinness Pref.—12 (M.), *12 (T.), 12⅛ (F.).
Hely's Ord.—25/- (Th.).
Hely Pref.—17/6 (Th.).
Hibernian Fire—*4/1½ (M.).
Irish Civil Service Building—*21½ (M.), *21½ (W.), 21½ (F.).
"Irish Times" 5½ p.c.—*68/- (M.), *68/- (Th.).
"Irish Times" 6½ p.c.—*17/- (F.).
Imperial Tobacco, Canada—27/4½ (M.), 27/6 (W.), 27/6, 3d. (Th.).
Imperial Tobacco—89/9, 7½d., (M.), 89/9 (T.), 89/10½ (W.), 89/10½ 90/- (Th.), 90/- (F.).
Irish-American Oil Pref.—19/6 (W.).
Johnson (Edmond) Pref.—*8/- (T.).
Jameson Deb—7½ (F.).
Lever 7 p.c. Pref.—21/4½ (M.), 21/9 (W.), 21/9 (Th.), 21/7½ (F.).
Lever 8 p.c. Pref.—21/- (M.), 21/1½ (W.), 21/1½, 3d. (F.).
Lister Ord.—32/6 (T.).
Maypole Def.—6/4½ (M.).
Millar and Beatty Pref.—51/9 (T.).
Marconi—35/- (M.), *34/6, *4/- (T.), *34/- (W.), 34/9, 5/- (F.).
McBirney—6/6 (Th.).
Power Pref.—19/6 (Th.).
Parent Trust Ord.—19/10½, *20/- (M.), *19/9 (T.), 20/- (F.).
Parent Trust Def.—42/9 (M).
Parent Trust Pref.—14/9 (M.), 14/10½ (Th.).
Pim Ord.—52/- (M.).
Radio Corporation Com.—14½, ¼, (M.), 13⅞ (W.), 13½ (Th.), 12⅞ (F.).
Radio Corporation Pref.—10⅛ (M.), 10⅛ (W.), 10¼ (Th.), 10¼ (F.).
Switzer Ord.—82/6b, 87/6a (F.).
Sewing Cotton—*66/3 (W.), *66/1½, 6/-, 5/9, *5/6 (Th.), 65/3 (F.).
Sewing Cotton Pref.—19/6 (T.).
Shells—90/- (M.), *89/- (W.), 90/3, 90/-, 90/3 (Th.).
Todd Burns Ord.—11/- (F.).
Thwaites Ord.—75/3 (M.).
Thom Pref.—47/6 (Th.).
Vickers—11/3 (F.).
Williams (H.)—60/- (M.).
c—Cash. b—Bid. a—Asked.

BELFAST.

Belfast Corporation 3½ p.c. (1940)—77½ (M.), 77½ (Th.).
Do. 6½ p.c. Mortgages—101½ (T.).
Do. 3½ p.c. (1928)—92 (F.).
Do. 5½ p.c. (1937)—103½ (F.).
Do. 3½ p.c. (1942)—74½ (F.).
Belfast Water Commissioners 3 p.c.—60b (F.).
Northern Bank "A"—5⅛ (M.), 5½ 5⅛ (W.), 5⅛ (Th.), 5½ (F.).
Do. "B"—2⅞ (Th.).
National Bank—20¼a (F.).
Westminster Bank—18¼ (M.).
Belfast and Co. Down Railway Ord.—55 (Th.), 55 (F.).
Great Northern Railway Stock—55 (M.), 55 (T.), 56 (W.), 55½ 56 (F.).

Arnott and Co.—49/- (T.).
Bleachers' Association—67/- (M.).
British-American Tobacco Ord.—108/3 (M.), 108/9 (T.), 108/3 (W.), 107/9 (Th.), 108/- (F.).
British Tobacco (Australia)—42/3 (Th.).
Brookfield Linen Co. 5 p.c. Pref.—4½ (M.).
Buchanan Dewar—71/9 (T.).
Chartered—21/3 (F.).
Coats Ord.—66/3 (M.).
Courtaulds—70/- (T.), 70/- (W.).
Distillers' Co. Ord.—61/- (T.).
Do. 6 p.c. Pref.—22/- (F.).
Dunlop Rubber—11/- 11/1½ (T.), 11/- 11/1½ (W.), 11/3 11/6 (Th.), 11/7½ 11/9 11/10½ (F.).
Dublin Distillers—58/11½ (T.).
Dunville and Co.—13½ (F.).
Dunlop "C" Pref.—21/- (F.).
Fine Cotton Spinners—60/- 60/6 (M.).
Imperial Tobacco—89/9 (M.), 89/9 89/10½ (T.), 90/- (W.), 89/10½ 90/- (Th.), 90/- (F.).
Inglis and Co. 5 p.c. Deb.—4½ (M.).
Do. 6 p.c. Pref.—20/9 (T.).
Do. Ord.—61/- (W.), 61/- (Th.).
Lever Bros. 7 p.c. Pref.—21/6 21/7½ (F.).
M'Connell Distillery 5 p.c. Pref.—3½ (Th.).
J. and J. M'Connell Pref.—5 (F.).
Parent Tyre Co. Defd.—42/1½ (M.).
Robinson and Cleaver 5 p.c. Pref.—15/9 (Th.).
Shell Transport—91/6 (M.).
York Street Flax Spinning Co. 6 p.c. Pref.—10½ (T.).
a—Asked. b—Bid.

BIRMINGHAM MOTOR SHARE MARKET.

Friday's Closing Prices—Austin Ord., 5/1½; do. B. Pf. 9/-; do. Prefd. 10 p.c., 6/-; do. 4th Deb. 84½; Birmingham Small Arms, 14/-; Bluemel Bros., 36/- x.d.; Bowden Brake, 5/10½; Brett's Stamping, 22/6; Brooks (J. B.), 42/6; Calcott Bros 29/6; Components, 3/6; Coventry Chain, 30/3; Crossley Motors, 6/3; Dennis Bros., 44/9; Enfield Cycle, 28/9; Fodens, 21/-; Guy Motors, 6/4½; Halford Cycle, 48/-; Halley's Motor, 6/3; Harper Bean, 2d.; Hughes Johnson, 24/-, Humber, 34/- do. Pref., 18/-; James Cycle, 16/-; Leyland Motor 5/6; Lucas (Jos.), 56/-; Mandslay, 10/3; Napier Ord., 25/6; do. Pref., 20/-; New Hudson, 15/6; Riley (Coventry), 11/-; Rolls-Royce, 30/-; Rovers, 12/-; Rudge-Whitworth, 8/9; do. Pref., 64/-; S.T.D. Motors, 5/3; do. Pref., 11/6; do. 8 p.c. Notes, 97½; Serck Radiators, 10/6; Singer and Co., 37/6; Smith (S.) and Sons Defd. Ord., 1/-; Smith's Stamping, 27/1½; Standard Motor, 48/9; Star Engineering, 3/9; Stevens (A. J.), 28/6; Straker Squire, 3d.; Swift, 8/6; do. Pref., 10/-; Triumph, 29/-; Vandervell (C. A.) and Co. Prefd., 6/3; Vauxhall Motor, 6/4½; Vulcan Motor 3/-; Wolseley Motor Pref., 4/-; do. Deb., 70; Dunlop Rubber, 12/-; do. A Pref., 21/4½; do. B Pref., 21/6; Leyland Rubber, 26/-; Parent Trust Ord., 20/4½; do. Pref., 15/-; do. Deferred, 42/1½; Stepney Tyres, 9/-; Tyre Investment, 6/3.

COMPANY NOTICES.

THE DUBLIN ARTISANS' DWELLINGS COMPANY, LIMITED.

12 and 13 William street, Dublin.
2nd February, 1925.

Notice is hereby given that the Sixty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held on TUESDAY, the Tenth of February, 1925, at 2.45 o'clock p.m., in their offices, 12 and 13 William street, to receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts; to declare a Dividend, and to authorise a payment in lieu of Final Dividend unpaid for the year ended 31st December, 1920; to elect Directors and Auditor; and to transact such other Business as is incidental to an Ordinary General Meeting.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from 10th inst. to 17th inst., both dates inclusive.

By Order,
M. F. FLOOD, Secretary.

CAVAN AND LEITRIM RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Transfer Books (Undertaking No. 1) of the Company will be CLOSED on the 7th FEBRUARY, 1925, and RE-OPENED on the 17th FEBRUARY, 1925.
R. R. STEWART, Secretary.
19 and 20 Fleet street, Dublin.
31st January, 1925.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

SMALL BORROWING FROM THE BANK.

Being the last day of the month, there was a large turnover of money on Saturday, and consequently loans were in strong demand. Borrowers paid 3½ up to 4½ p.c. for accommodation till to-day, but there was not enough money to go round, and it was found necessary to seek assistance at the Bank of England, which lent a small amount for a week at 4½ p.c. Old loans were renewed at 3½ to 3½ p.c., while weekly fixtures were continued at 2¾-3 p.c.

Bank Rate Discount (changed July 5, 1923), 4%

60 days (fine)	3⅝%		
3 months	3⅝%	Trade	4 4½%
4 months	3⅝%	"	4½ 4½%
6 months	4 %	"	4½ 5 %
Loans to brokers day-to-day			4½ 3¼%
" " for a week			2¾%
Deposit allowance: Banks at call			2 %
" Discount houses, at call			2 %
" " at notice			2¼%

There was practically nothing doing in discounts, and rates were all quoted nominally unchanged. Fine three months' bills were called 3⅝-3⅝ p.c., while secondhand Treasuries offered at 3⅝ p.c. Supplementary Treasury bills will again be on "tap" to-day at 3⅝ p.c.

Silver improved 1/16d. for spot and ⅛d. for forward delivery, to 32⅛d. and 32 1/16d. per ounce respectively, both India and China sending buying orders.

The Foreign Exchange market was quiet, and little change occurred in rates. Sterling was maintained at 4.79⅛ dollars, while Belgian francs were a little firmer at 92.05. French francs and Italian lire also appreciated slightly, but other Continental currencies scarcely moved. Argentine exchange was weaker at 45⅞d., while Rio strengthened to 5⅞-5⅞d. Eastern rates were steady. The following are closing quotations:—

—	January 31.		January 30.		Normal Rate
Alexandria	97⅛		97⅛		97½
Amsterdam	11.89¼	11.89¾	11.88¾	11.89¼	12.10
B. Ayres	45⅞	45⅞	45⅞	45⅞	47.58
Barcelona	33.46	33.50	33.49	33.52	25.22
Berlin	20.12	20.16	20.10	20.15	20.40
Bombay	1 5⅞	1 6	1 5⅞	1 6	2/0
Brussels	92.00	92.10	92.80	92.90	25.22½
Calcutta	1 5⅞	1 6	1 5⅞	1 6	2/0
Copenhagen	26.81	26.84	26.80	26.84	18.15
Czecho-Slov	161	161½	160¾	161½	—
Finland	190	190¾	190	190¾	25.22½
Greece	279	282	273	278	25.22½
Hong Kong	2 3½	2 4¼	2 3½	2 4¼	—
Hungary	342,000	348,000	342,000	348,000	—
Italy	114½	114¾	115¾	115⅞	25.22½
Kobe (p.yn.)	1/7⅛	1/7⅛	1/7⅛	1/7⅛	24.58d.
Lisbon	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	53⅛d.
Madrid	33.48	33.50	33.49	33.52	25.22½
Mexico	24¼	24	24¼	24¾	24½d
Montreal	4.79½	4.79¾	4.79½	4.79¾	4.86
Montevideo	48⅞	49	49	49⅝	51d
New York	4.79⅛	4.79⅛	4.78¾	4.79⅛	4.86
Oslo	31.28	31.31	31.30	31.33	18.15
Paris	88.27	88.40	88.45	88.58	25.22
Poland	24.82	24.84	24.85	25.05	25.22½
Rio de Jan.	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞	16d
Roumania	9.23	9.30	9.23	9.30	—
Shanghai	3 1⅞	3.2⅞	3/1⅞	3/2⅞	—
Singapore	2.4⅞		2.4⅞		2.4⅞
Stockholm	17.76	17.80	17.76	17.78	18.15
Switzerland	24.82	24.84	24.79	24.84	25.22
Valparaiso	43.60	44.30Nom	43.60	44.30 Nom	13.38
Vienna	338,000	341,000	337,000	342,000	—

PRICES OF RECENT ISSUES.

Agar Cross 5½ p.c. Debs. (£40 paid), 7¼-½ pm. Allen-Liversidge Pf. (7/6 paid), /6-1/- pm. Anglo-Spanish Construction (£1), 2⅛-⅛, Ditto 6 p.c. Debs. (£45 paid), 9-8 dis. Argentine Gt. Western Railway Debs. (£25 paid), 1⅛-½ pm. Argentine Transandine Railway 5 p.c. Debs., 2⅛-3¼ pm. Argus Press Pref. (£1), 20/9-21/3. Armstrong 6½ p.c. Debs. (£60 paid), ⅞-⅛ dis. Australia 4½ p.c. 1940-60 (fully paid), 1-⅞ dis. Ayrshire Electricity 4½ p.c. (fully paid) 1⅛-1 dis. Belseri-Chardwar Tea Ord., 2/-3/- pm. Ditto Pref., /6 dis.-/6 pm. Bukit Tupah Rubber (12/6 paid), 6/-7/- pm. Candover Estates (£66½ paid), 4⅛-3½ dis. Conversion 3½ p.c. (£5), ⅛-⅛ pm. Eastern Tin Trust (10/- paid), 1/16-⅛ dis. Galicia Nitrate 7 p.c. Debs., 99-100. Greek 7 p.c. (£35 paid), 5-¼ pm. Hide and Co. Ord. (1/-), 1/10½-2/4½. Ditto Pref. (fully paid), /7½-1/1½ pm. Hull Corporation 4½ p.c. (£10 paid), ⅛-⅛ dis. International Sleeping Car 6 p.c. Bonds (£65 paid) 1 dis.-par. Leicester Corporation 4½ p.c. (£35½ paid), ⅛-⅛ pm. Lewis's 6 p.c. Debs. (£65 paid), par-⅛ pm. Liquid Air, 25/9-26/3. Mason (George J.) 7 p.c. Pref., 21/3-21/9. Mid-European Corporation (£8 paid), 7-⅛. Neuchatel Asphalte 6 p.c. Debs. (£50 paid), 5½-6½ pm. Newcastle 4½ p.c. (£30 paid), 1½-½ dis. Peck (J. H.) (£1), 32/-33/-. Perfetti Nitrate 7½ p.c. Debs., 92-4. Port of London 4½ p.c. (fully paid), 97⅛-⅛. Sears (J. T.) 12½ p.c. Pref., 39/6-40/6. Spillers Milling 5½ p.c. Notes (fully paid), 101⅛-½. S. Africa 5 p.c. (£69½ paid), 1940-60, 2⅛-⅛ pm. Southern Railway Pref. (£49½ paid), 1½-2 pm. Staffordshire Potteries Water Board 5 p.c. Debs. (£10 paid), ⅛-⅛ pm. Staveley Trust (5/- paid), 1/- dis.-par. Ditto Defd., 3/6-4/-. Sudan 4 p.c. (£41 paid), 1½-2 pm. Tin Selection Trust (10/- paid), 2/-1/- dis. Tingha (N.S.W.) Tin (10/- paid), /6 dis.-/6 pm. Victoria 4½ p.c. (fully paid), 9¼-⅛. Vocalion Gramophone (5/- paid), 1/6-/6 dis.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

DUBLIN UNITED TRAMWAYS COMPANY (1896), LIMITED.—The report to be submitted at the meeting at 59 Upper Sackville street, Dublin, on Tuesday, 10th inst., at 2 o'clock, states that the amount available is £134,504 4/1. An interim dividends amounting to £23,400 were paid on the 9th August, 1924. It is recommended that a dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, less income tax, be paid on the Pref. Stock for the half-year ending 31st December, 1924, and that a final dividend at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, less income tax (making 5½ per cent. for the year), be paid on the Ord. Stock for the same half-year; that £60,000 be set aside towards renewal of track, and £5,000 towards renewal of overhead line and cables. The dividends and sums set aside will absorb £119,225, leaving £15,279 4/1 to be carried to next account. One of the directors—Mr. Joseph Mooney, J.P.—retires by rotation, and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election. The auditors—Mr. G. H. Tulloch, F.C.A., and Mr. William Ireland, J.P.—retire, and are eligible for re-election.

DUBLIN ARTISANS' DWELLINGS COMPANY.—The report for the year ended 31st December states that the directors have transferred £150 5 per cent. War Stock, 1929-47, at cost price, from the company's account to the fire insurance fund investments. The total rent received for the year was £65,066 2/11, as compared with £64,967 1/- in 1923. There was a further sum of £7,747 13/6 received in respect of arrears accumulated during the year 1921. The total working revenue for the year amounted to £65,086 4/3, leaving, after providing for head rents, taxes, and working expenses, a surplus of £21,906 18/7, to which is to be added the amount of arrears collected—£7,747 13/6—together with £567 6/10 for dividends and rent received. Deducting the interest paid on loans, £1,349 19/7, there remains a balance of £28,871 19/4, which, with the balance brought forward from the year 1923, makes a total balance of £31,042 10/7 at the credit of the net revenue account. Out of this sum an interim dividend at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum, free of income tax, was paid in July, 1924; £1,292 15/11 has been carried to the depreciation fund, making it £227,000; £5,000 to the general reserve account, making it £45,000; and £2,500 to the special repairs reserve account, making it £5,000; leaving £16,166 12/8. A final dividend at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum, free of income tax, is now recommended for the year ended 31st December, 1924, absorbing £6,083 2/-, and also, with the concurrence of the Commissioners of Public Works, a payment at the rate of 2 per cent., free of income tax, in lieu of final dividend unpaid for the year ended 31st December, 1920 absorbing £5,407 4/-, which the directors recommend be paid in two moieties, leaving a balance of £4,676 6/8 to be carried forward. Two of the directors, Mr. Cecil Pim and Mr. Thomas S. Martin, retire by rotation. They are eligible, and offer themselves for re-election.

NORTH OF IRELAND PAPER MILL CO.—The directors of the Commercial North of Ireland Paper Mill Co., Ltd., in their report for the year ended December 31, say they are pleased to report a satisfactory result of the company's operation considering the state of the trade, which is still unsettled. The profit for the year from working account, after charging interest, depreciation, etc., is £11,475, which has been added to the property account, which now includes portion of the land at Ballyclare, formerly held on short lease.

ASHTON BROS. AND CO.—Dividend of 5 per cent., less tax, on Ordinary Shares for the year.

BREWERY AND COMMERCIAL INVESTMENT TRUST.—Interim dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, less tax, on Deferred Stock for half-year.

CANADIAN NORTHERN PRAIRIE LANDS—Dividend at the rate of 20 per cent. per annum on capital stock.

CONSETT SPANISH ORE—Interim dividend of 1/6 per share, less tax.

DEVAS, ROUTLEDGE AND CO.—Final dividend at rate of 15 per cent. per annum for half-year, making 10 per cent. for year, bonus of 2½p.c.

ENGLISH VELVET AND CORD DYERS' ASSOCIATION—Final dividend of 14 per cent. per annum on Ordinary Shares for half-year ended December 31, making 10 per cent. for year.

FLEMING, REID AND CO.—Final dividend and bonus totalling 2/3 per share, less tax, on the 700,000 Ord. Shares of £1 each.

FOUR PER CENT. INDUSTRIAL DWELLINGS—Dividend of 2 per cent., free of tax, for half-year, making 4 per cent. for year.

HUDDERSFIELD FINE WORSTEDS—Dividend at the rate of 8 per cent., less tax, on Pref. Shares for twelve months to March 31, 1924.

HOLLINS MILL CO.—Further dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. (actual) on Ordinary Shares, making 24 per cent. actual for year, less tax.

JURGENS.—The directors of Jurgens, margarine manufacturers, announce that the dividend on the 7 per cent. Pref. Shares for the half-year to 31st December, 1924, will be paid on 2nd February. The dividend on the Pref. Shares is guaranteed by the Dutch company, which holds a controlling interest in Jurgens. The last payment on the Ord. Shares was 7 per cent. for 1919.

KURUGAME TEA ESTATE—Interim dividend of 7½ per cent., less tax.

KIRKSTALL BREWERY—Interim dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, less tax, on Ordinary Shares for half-year.

LOFTHOUSE COLLIERY—A further dividend of 2s. per share, less tax.

LANARKSHIRE TRAMWAYS—Dividend of 3 per cent. on share capital, making a total of 5½ per cent. for year.

SEDENAK RUBBER ESTATES, LTD.—The dividend of 2½ per cent., less tax.

YORKSHIRE (WEST RIDING) ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS—Dividend of 8 per cent., less tax, on ordinary Shares for year.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

RUBBER EXPORT ALLOWANCE.

It is officially announced that the percentage of standard production of rubber that may be exported at the minimum duty from Ceylon, the Straits Settlements and the Malay States, for the quarter beginning February 1, has been fixed at 55 per cent., this being 5 per cent. more than for the preceding quarter.

ANOTHER COLONIAL BANK ISSUE.

The directors of the Queensland National Bank have decided to issue 60,000 new shares of £5 each to proprietors, in the proportion of one for every four shares. This will bring the subscribed and paid-up capital to £1,500,000. Intimation of the pending issue was made to the shareholders in July last, when it was stated that the aim of the board was to maintain a steady 10 per cent. dividend and to build up the reserve fund. Such a dividend has been paid for several years, and supplemented by a bonus—for 1923-24 of 2½ per cent. Dealings are taking place in the existing shares around £10.

THE OUTLOOK.

A deadlock seems to have been reached in Stock Exchange business for the time being, the reaction after the recent speculative activity having left markets limp and lifeless, though with just enough support to prevent prices from falling away materially. Taking a broad view, the outlook is satisfactory enough. Some time must yet elapse before the gold standard is restored, and good judges do not expect the removal of the embargo upon gold exports much before the due date at the end of the year (writes the *Sunday Times*), but, in the meanwhile, there are other factors of a favourable nature, chief among these being the prospect of some relief from taxation, with the promise of more when reparation payments are being received. The set-back in Textiles does not look like going far, as the basic conditions are sound, the Indian demand for Lancashire goods showing noteworthy improvement, while Europe must take more as the restoration of better economic conditions increases the purchasing capacity of the population. On the set-back Bleachers and Bradford Dyers look attractive purchases to hold for dividends, while Amalgamated Cotton are a fair lock-up at anything under 11s. Generally speaking, the Industrial list is worth watching for bargains when markets are dull.

POLISH MATCH MONOPOLY.

As is known, the Polish Government has elaborated a bill concerning the monopoly of matches, which will be discussed by Parliament in the near future. The Government intends to lease the match monopoly for a period of twenty-five years to the International Match Corporation, of which the Swedish Match Company is the principal shareholder. The company will have to undertake to maintain the production of matches at least at its present level, and the Treasury's revenue from the operation of the monopoly has to be at least equal to the present yield of match duty. On the other hand, the sale price of matches cannot be raised. The International Match Corporation possesses already a controlling interest in the majority of Polish match factories, and, after the bill has been passed, it will obtain the remaining ones by means of expropriation.

VENEZUELAN OIL CONCESSIONS, LTD.

Well R 20 came in on January 27th at a depth of 1,851 feet, flowing at an estimated rate of 200 tons per day through a ⅞-inch flow plug; pressure 210-240lbs. The specific gravity of the oil is .923. This well is situated in the La Rosa field, about 75 metres north-east of R 13.

The transfer books of the Cavan and Leitrim Railway Company (No. 1) will be closed on 7th and re-opened on 17th February.

The meeting of the Dublin Artisans' Dwellings Company will be held on Tuesday, 10th February, 2.45 p.m., in 12 and 13 William street, to receive the directors' report and statement of accounts; to declare a dividend, and to authorise a payment in lieu of final dividend unpaid for the year ended 31st December, 1920; etc. The transfer books of the company will be closed from 10th inst. to 17th inst., both dates inclusive.

NORTHERN FLAX MARKETS.

There were 30 tons of flax on Cookstown market last Saturday, and about ten tons remained unsold. There was a very poor demand. Prices were from 15s. to 20s. per stone. Twenty-five tons of fibre were offered for sale at Ballymena flax market, and were sold at prices ranging from 15s. to 19s. 6d. per stone, the bulk fetching from 17s. to 18s. There was the usual attendance of buyers, and demand was steady.

IRISH FAIRS.

CLAREMORRIS—A medium sized fair, with a plentiful supply of buyers and good demand, but low prices. Store cattle of 12 to 18 months realised £8 to £11 10/-; two-year-olds from £15 to £22. Beef cattle, of which the supply was good, fetched an average of 50/- per cwt. (live weight). In the sheep fair the supply was small, and prices went high; hoggets sold at from £5 5/- to £7 each; fat sheep from £4 10/- to £6. Horses were scarce, and demand was poor.

BANAGHER—This winter fair, which now nearly equals in size and importance the great September fair, was well supplied with stock and buyers Friday. There was a keen demand for horses and prices showed an advance of from £4 to £5 per head for working horses as compared with last September. There were very little blood animals on exhibit, and many intending purchasers in this line went away disappointed. Mr. J. E. Clarke, Grange, Eyrecourt, bought 8 troopers and saddle horses at prices ranging from £25 to £80. Mr. J. Kingham, Armagh, said he paid £150 for a thoroughbred, but horses of that class and price were not exhibited in the fair. Mr. D. Johnson, Lurgan, bought 11 strong horses at from £30 to £35, and said prices were £3 per head better than those of last September. Mr. William Kelly, Lusmagh, sold a five-year-old colt for £26, and bought 11 two-year-old bullocks at £13 10/- each. Mr. McIntee, Clones, bought 21 working horses at prices ranging from £8 to £18. Mr. J. Byrne, Moystown, sold a saddle horse for £20, and Major Griffin, Lusmagh, got £15 for a two and a half year old colt. Mr. Flattery, Rapemills, got £22 for a five-year-old trained horse. Mr. J. Nevin, Killamenahan, sold a trained saddle horse for £22 10/-. Mr. Michael Redden, Cloughal, for a two-year-old colt got £14 5/-. Mr. D. Horan, Lusmagh, sold a five-year-old trained harness horse to Mr. McClean, Ballybay, for £22 10/-. Mr. P. Nevin, Clonfert, sold a six-year-old harness horse for £31, and Mrs. Kelly, Lusmagh, got £27 10/- for a five-year-old. Ponies and cobs were scarce and dear; one and a half years old from £10 to £15. The supply in the cattle department was well above the average; demand was good and business lively. Beef was scarce. Mr. P. Glynn, Banagher, sold a stall-fed for £35, which was the top price of the fair. Cows showing signs of being good milchers fetched good prices, ranging from £20 to £27; springers from £26 to £32, first class, and £24 to £28, second class. Mr. P. Hogan, Banagher, got £29 for a cow with calf at foot. Two and three-year-old well-conditioned cattle realised from £23 to £25, first class; second class from £19 to £22 10/-. Forward stores were in good demand, one and a half to two years old heifers and bullocks from £12 to £15, first class; second class from £10 to £14. Black pollies from £17 to £18 10/-. Mr. D. Fitzgerald, Doon, bought 12 at £17 10/-; yearlings from £8 to £11, and six months old from £4 10/- to £6 10/-. Pigs on Thursday fetched 66/- per cwt. (live weight) for first class bacon, and 64/- to 65/6 for courser sorts. Fat sheep from 80/. to 90/-; lambs from 45/- to 60/-.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORTS.

SATURDAY.

Wind and Weather—Westerly wind, fresh breeze; overcast, with rain.

Coastwise Arrivals—Ss. Slievemore, ss. Slieve Bawn, from Holyhead, with goods; ss. Lady Limerick, from Liverpool, with goods; ss. Puma, from Glasgow, with goods; ss. Olive, from Heysham, with goods; ss. Pine, from Whitehaven, with coals; ss. Agnes Ellen, ss. Mary Summerfield, ss. Beechfield, from Garston, with coals; ss. Porthcarrack, from Llanelly, with coals.

Foreign Departures—Ss. Yayoi Maru, of Kobe, 5,415 tons register, Captain Ishii, for Belfast, with part cargo (wheat); ss. Varna, of Glasgow, 912 tons register, Captain Spence, for Glasgow, with part cargo (general).

Coastwise Departures—Ss. Slieve Gallion, ss. Slievemore, for Holyhead, with goods; ss. Puma, for Glasgow, with goods; ss. Olive, for Heysham, with goods; ss. Lady Cloe, for London, with goods; ss. Lady Limerick, for Liverpool and Birkenhead, with live-stock and goods; m.v. Amelia and Jane, for Connah's Quay, with scrap iron; ss. Tynan, for Ayr, light; ss. Letty, for Garston, light; ss. Glenageary, for Partington, light; ss. Puffin, for Ormeshead, light.

SUNDAY.

Wind and Weather—W. to W.N.W. wind, fresh breeze, fine and clear.

Foreign Arrival—Ss. Fair Head, of Belfast, 663 tons register, Captain Cole, from Hamburg, via Cork, with a general cargo; discharging at Shelter Sheds, Alexandra Basin.

Coastwise Arrivals—Ss. Lady Longford, from Liverpool, with goods; ss. Tiver, from Glasgow, with goods; ss. Brier, from Heysham, with goods; ss. Yarrow, from Silloth, with goods; ss. Rosabelle, from Point of Aire, with coals; ss. Alyn, ss. Thelma, from Garston, with coals; ss. Sapphire, ss. Gem, ss. Cornelian, ss. Achill, ss. Bonawe, from Glasgow, with coals; ss. Brilliant, from Newport, with coals; ss. Cameo, from Whitehaven, with coals; ss. Glencullen, ss. Glenageary, from Partington, with coals; ss. Carrowdore, from London, with empty barrels; ss. Clarecastle, from Manchester, with empty barrels.

Coastwise Departures—Ss. Zillah, ss. Mary Summerfield, for Garston, light; ss. Pine, for Liverpool, light; ss. Agnes Ellen, for Workington, light; ss. Porthcarrack, for Portavogie, light.

PRODUCE AND FOOD MARKETS.

CATTLE.

DONCASTER.—Exceptionally large supply of cattle, especially Irish, with steady trade. Dairy cattle made up to £38, average price £30 to £32; bullocks firm, £20 to £24; heifers £16 to £20, stirks £10 to £12. Sheep trade improving. Hogs 80/- to 86/-. Big show of pigs; suckers 15/- to 20/-, strong stores 40/- to 60/-.

NORWICH.—Good supplies of fat cattle were on offer on Saturday, and with quality above the average trade was very firm at 14/6 per stone. Heavier sorts ranged from 12/6 to 13/6 per stone. Store cattle were in moderate supply, business being slow at £9 to £23 6/-. Fat sheep were not so numerous, and continue dear at 1/6 per lb. Very few store sheep were penned, and 89/- to 91/- was realised. There was a good show of calves offering, veal being dear at 1/1 per lb. A larger supply of fat and store pigs met a sharper trade, fat pigs making up to 12/6 and smart cutters to 13/- per stone, while stores ranged from 10/6 to 65/-. At market—Cattle 650, sheep 400, and pigs 500.

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES (The Baltic).—WHEAT—The market displayed a firm undertone, but in face of fluctuating foreign advices, buyers exercised reserve. The Aden Maru, 7,000 tons, South Australian, expected April shipment, sold 71/3. No. 1 Northern Manitoba Jan.-Feb. sellers 74/-, choice white Karachi ditto 71/-, Rosafe (65lbs.) ditto 73/3. Parcels steady, but idle. No. 1 Northern Manitoba Feb.-March sellers 75/3, Australian Jan. 71/3, Rosafe (64lbs.) Jan.-Feb. 72/3 per 480lbs. MAIZE firm for near cargoes, but distant quiet; Plate steamers afloat sellers 47/- to 47/3, Feb.-March 49/-, No. 6 yellow African afloat 47/6. Parcels steadier. Plate afloat sold 48/- to 46/4½, Jan.-Feb. 45/9, Feb.-March 48/1½, May-June 44/4½ per 480lbs. BARLEY dull, and quotations nominally unaltered. OATS held for previous prices, but there was no response from buyers.

LIVERPOOL.—WHEAT—Easier Argentine cables, disappointing American, and reported heavy shipments for past week caused a liberal decline in forward deliveries of wheat here during early trading, but prices afterwards recovered, largely on scarcity of sellers and demand from "shorts" to cover, final rates showing only a moderate decline from last night, July being most affected. C.i.f. parcels more firmly held; Rosario-Santa Fe January-February realised 72/6 to Liverpool and Australian about to load 73/6 to Manchester; No. 1 Duluth and No. 2 hard winter January-February quoted 74/6, choice white Karachi May-June 66/3 per qr. C.i.f. parcels MAIZE River Plate January-February quoted 47/6, February-March 48/-, and May-June 44/3 per qr. Wheat on the spot steady and unaltered. Maize spot parcels firm and dearer at 10/1 to 10/2 for River Plate and Australian, and 10/2 to 10/3 per cental round yellow African. FLOUR firmly held at late rates. Graded wheat futures opened ¼d. per cental lower, lost a further 1d., then recovered partially, the market closing only ¼d. to ⅜d. per cental under Friday night, latter being for July delivery. Sales, 100 loads at 15/3½, 15/3, 15/3, and 15/3½ for March, 14/11, 14/11½, 14/10, 14/11, 14/10½, 14/11½, and 14/11½ May, and 14/5, 14/5¼, 14/5, and 14/5½ July delivery. Values—March 15/3½, May 14/11½, July 14/5½ per cental. Maize options closed firm at ⅛d. per cental advance. Sales, 20 loads at 10/0½ to 10/0½ for February, and 10/2½, 10/3, 10/2½, and 10/3 March delivery. Values—February 10/0½, March 10/3 per cental. Imports of grain (cwts.):—To-day—Wheat, 1,260; maize, 9,134; peas, 500. This week—Wheat, 236,514; flour, 14,390; maize, 200,249; peas, 19,287; beans, 1,423. This year—Wheat, 1,733,350; flour, 49,984; maize, 810,429; peas, 98,251; beans, 3,115. Last year—Wheat, 1,104,351; flour, 45,773; maize, 400,664; peas, 48,723; beans, 15,773.

NEWCASTLE.—Foreign wheat 2/- up, and flour 2/- up. Foreign wheat 18/-, English 14/-, maize 11/- to 11/3, barley 10/5 to 11/6, oats 10/9 to 12/-, boxings 10/3, bran 9/3, broad bran 10/9, flour 60/- to 62/6.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL.—Irish and Danish BACON attracts rather more attention at the recent decline, and a steadier feeling now prevails. Canadian Wiltshire is also somewhat steadier in sympathy with other long sides. The market for American selections of bacon here, however, again rules quiet, with buyers holding off, though no quotable change is made in values. HAMS still quiet, the recent decline in values failing to stimulate buyers to any appreciable extent. Shoulders also slow of sale, but no further decline in values reported. LARD on the spot is steadily held at late rates for both prime steam and American refined, but buyers operate merely for their actual requirements. CHEESE attracts little attention, but late prices are maintained for both Canadian and New Zealand. BUTTER firm and in fair request at unchanged prices. EGGS quiet at 21/- to 22/6 for Irish hen, 22/- to 23/- duck, and 8/6 to 9/9 Egyptian per 120. Imports of provisions (cwts.):—To-day—Bacon, 45; hams, 35. This week—Bacon, 8,514; hams, 3,182; lard, 10,671; pork, 25; cheese, 3,746; butter, 2,023. This year—Bacon, 39,856; hams, 16,147; lard, 71,237; pork, 150; cheese, 31,197; beef, 100; butter, 8,774. Last year—Bacon, 34,589; hams 16,811; lard, 110,893; pork, 472; cheese, 12,110; beef, 170; butter, 2,131.

LIVERPOOL REFINED LARD "FUTURES."—With disappointing overnight cables from Chicago and little inquiry leaves prices gave way about 3d. per cwt. during the short session. Business confined to two loads Sept. at 84/6, Jan. quoted 80/9 sellers, March 80/9 to 81/3, May 81/3 to 81/6, July 82/6 to 83/-, cash ex quay, 80/- to 80/9, and store 80/9 sellers.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—A good business was put through for the equally good supply of vegetables for a week-end market—viz., York cabbage 50/-, 68/- and 72/- per load; Savoy 60/-, 66/- and 72/- per load; cauliflowers 3/- to 3/6 per dozen, swede turnips 1/9 to 1/11 per cwt., white turnips (d. to 9d. bunch, thyme 5d. to 10d. bunch, sprouts 2/- to 3/3 float, parsley 1/6 to 2/6 ditto.

DUBLIN POTATO. — Potatoes remain as previously reported—viz., 8/6, 9/- and 10/- per cwt. Trade still slow and slumpy.

CORK BUTTER.—The market remains steady and featureless. Creameries 195/- per cwt., choicest mild 196/- upwards, farmers' fresh lumps 165/-.

SMITHFIELD POULTRY AND GAME.—Surrey chickens 1/6 to 1/9, country 1/2 to 1/6, Irish 1/- to 1/4, Belgian 1/6 to 1/8, Russian 1/3 to 1/4, Dutch 1/3 to 1/5, American 1/5 to 1/7, Hungarian 1/- to 1/3, English old hens 9d. to 11d., Irish 9d. to 10d., live 9d. to 11d., country ducks 1/3 to 1/6, geese 1/- to 1/2, English turkeys 1/- to 1/4, Irish 1/- to 1/2, Hungarian cold stored 9d. to 11d., fresh 1d. to 1/1, French 1/- to 1/2, Italian 11d. to 1/1, wild rabbits 8d. to 10d., tame 10d. to 1/- per lb. Pheasants 4/- to 5/9, partridges, young 2/9 to 3/3, old 1/6 to 1/8, wild ducks 2/6 to 3/6, widgeon 1/5 to 1/7, teal 10d. to 1/2, Guinea fowl 3/- to 3/9, golden plover 1/- to 1/5, black 8d. to 10d., woodcock 1/6 to 2/6, Scotch hares 4/- to 4/6, Scotch 1/4 to 1/9, leverets and small hares 2/6 to 3/3 each. Australian frozen rabbits 28/- to 46/- per case of 2 dozen.

DUBLIN FISH.—This market was made up of 8 boxes of herrings, which averaged 14/- per box and a sprinkling of codfish which sold around 20/- to 22/6 and 25/- per half box. An easy clearance was effected.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Fair supply; demand moderate. Plaice 10/-, lemon soles 18/-, halibut 14/- to 18/-, cod 4/- to 6/-, hake 5/- to 7/-, small haddocks 2/-, kit 5/-, gibbed 7/-, dabs 8/- to 9/-, codlings 4/6, whiting 3/- per stone, soles 1/5, turbot 1/-, brill 10d. per lb.

PRODUCE.

LONDON PRODUCE—Sugar—A fair inquiry continued for spot parcels of refined, and no change occurred in prices of British or foreign makes. Forward positions steady. Czecho granulated ready for shipment sold 18/3 to 18/6 as to mark f.o.b. Hamburg. Cuban basis 96 per cent. February quoted 14/- c.f. and i. U.K. White terminal steady, quiet. March and May sellers 17/10½, August done 17/10½, October-December 17/10½ per cwt. COFFEE—Spot market closed with a steady tone for all mild sorts. COCOA quiet, unaltered on spot. Accra F/F grade, February-April sellers, 38/- per cwt. f.o.b. terms. TEA—Private market generally firm for Indian and Ceylon, and of the latter there is a fair inquiry on export account for low pekoes and orange pekoes. China teas received increased support during the week, and Keemuns sold 1/3 to 1/5, with Penyongs 1/2 to 1/6. A fair demand exists for green, and parcels of gunpowder passed for the home trade sold from 1/5 upward. Some interest was also shown for export. Fannings and dust also low. Moningas met a quiet sale. Week's sale averages—N. India 1s. 7.76d., S. India 1s. 7.76d., Ceylon 1s. 8.94d., Java 1s. 2.93d., Sumatra 1s. 7.84d. RICE market steady at recent prices, but ready in Burma grain is quiet at the moment. Two stars spot 17/9, February-March London 14/6 c.f. and i. Pepper in fair demand and market fully steady. SPICE—Singapore L.S. January-March quoted 5⅛d., Lampong ditto 5⅛d., Muntok January-March 9⅛d., March-May sold 10⅛d. Zanzibar cloves January-March quoted 11d. per lb. Spot tapioca unchanged. Singapore March-April, flake, to Havre, sellers 20/6. Sago flour January-March sellers 16/7½ per cwt. c.f. and i. U.K. RUBBER dull, and prices weaker during early hours, but after the fixing of the price at 1s. 5.99834d. buyers became in evidence and prices advanced. Standard plantation crepe and sheet spot to March sold 1/5 to 1/5⅛, April-June 1/5 to 1/5⅛, July-September 1/5 to 1/5⅛. To New York standard estate sheet February-March buyers 1/3 per lb. c.f. and i. terms. The exportable allowances for next quarter is increased by 5 per cent. to 55 per cent. standard production. JUTE steady but quiet, as usually associated with a Saturday's market. Firsts February-March Continent sellers £38 10/-. March-April £38 13/-. April-May £39 per ton. Hessians and Twills very quiet. HEMP—Manila steady at previous quotations. J grade January-March £52 per ton. African sisal unaltered. SHELLAC steady, quiet; T.N. spot 253/-. March quoted 282/6, May 275/- per cwt. COPRA was a dull market; F.M.S. Straits January-March Rotterdam sellers £30, Dutch E.I. ditto £29 16/3. Others unchanged. Palm kernels February-April to Liverpool sellers £21 15/- per ton. OILS—Linseed firm, quiet; spot 52/-, March-April 50/9, May-August 51/- per cwt. Others unaltered. OILSEEDS—Linseed quietly steady. Calcutta January-February sellers £25 5/-, April-May £24 12/6, Plate January-February to Hull £23 2/6, March-April £23 5/- per ton. Rapeseed, also cottonseed, firm, unchanged.

LIVERPOOL.—CANE SUGAR firm, with 14/3 per cwt. c.i.f. quoted for Cuban early February shipment, basis 96 deg. pol. to U.K. The following are Messrs. Tate and Lyle's (Ltd.) quotations to-day:—Crystals, No. 1 34/6, small No. 1 34/-, No. 2 32/9, bright 32/7½, granulated, standard 32/6, H.T.S. 32/7½, coarse 32/10½, fine 32/10½, ex refinery Liverpool, less 1/- p.c. discount; cubes, ex refinery London, 1st quality 36/6, H.T.S. 36/3, afternoon tea 37/3, less 1½ p.c. discount. COCOA—Spot West African remains quiet. Limited business in new crop for shipment at 38/- per cwt. f.o.b. and sellers. COFFEE steady, but business somewhat quiet. RICE—Burmah old crop afloat unchanged at 17/3 to 17/6 c.i.f. No. 2; forward new crop February-March quiet at 14/7½ per cwt. c.i.f. HEMP—Manila steady; values, basis £53 per ton for J grade January-March shipment. SAGO FLOUR—Sarawak on spot steady at 18/3 to 18/6 for store parcels; forward shipment January-February 16/7½ per cwt. c.i.f. quoted. JAPANESE PEAS—Quiet business passing; new crop held for 24/- in store, and 23/- wanted for old crop. Forward shipments of new crop quoted 23/9 per cwt. c.i.f. RANGOON BEANS—Buyers operate sparingly in white hand-picked; 14/- asked for new crop on spot and 13/6 c.i.f. for shipment. F.a.q. slow at 10/- to 10/3 per cwt. to arrive. RICE BEAN without change; Burmah afloat, old crop £7 17/6, January/February new crop £7 7/6, and February-March £7 5/- per ton ex ship terms. LOCUST BEANS—Cyprus on spot firm at £8 10/- to £9 ex store in bags, and forward shipment £7 15/- to £8 per ton c.i.f. in bulk.

OIL CAKES—Liverpool palm kernel feeding materials still attract buyers' notice, and crushers ask £9 5/- to £9 7/6 for cakes, £9 10/- to £9 17/5 for crushed meals, and £9 10/- sweetened crushed meals ex mills. American linseed February-March shipment £12 5/- quoted, and Bombay afloat £12 10/-, both c.i.f. Egyptian undecorticated cottonseed remains at £8 2/6 per ton forward ex ship terms; both imported and local makes in quiet request. LINSEED firm; shippers of River Plate very reserved. COTTONSEED steady, with business in Brazilian f.a.q. for shipment at £9 per ton ex quay terms and buyers. PALM KERNELS tend in sellers' favour, and business done February-April shipment at £21 16/3 per ton and sellers. PALM KERNEL OIL little inquired for; local makes quoted £42 10/- for crushed prompt and forward, and £42 5/- per ton extracted forward delivery naked ex mills. COCOA NUT OIL—Ceylon for shipment £47 10/- per ton c.i.f. to Liverpool, and little business doing. PALM OIL slow and prices in buyers' favour. No sales reported.

TALLOW quiet and easier. Business done in South American Saladero digester and/or Sansinena Barracas beefs February-March shipment 45/10½ per cwt. c.i.f. CASTOR OIL—English descriptions steadily held for £61 seconds, £64 firsts, and £69 pharmacy ex mills Hull; Madras January-February shipment £60 quoted, February-March £57, and March-April £56 per ton c.i.f. in barrels; Calcutta good seconds January-March shipment sellers 7½d. per lb. ex quay terms Liverpool in casks. SEED OILS—Liverpool cottonseed steady at 51/- common edible and 53/- deodorised net naked ex mills. Linseed oil firm: 55/3 raw and 57/3 per cwt. boiled in barrels. Ground nut oil—Liverpool deodorised source; value nominally £58 per ton net naked ex mills. GAMBIER—Block on spot very scarce; forward shipment 65/- quoted c.i.f., and small offers of No. 2 cubes on spot at 85/- to 95/- per cwt. CUTCH—Burmah firmly held for 54/- to 56/- on spot and offers limited; for shipment 52/6 per c.i.f. asked. GUM—Nigeria Arabic steady on spot, but transactions on a limited scale. RUBBER—Para quiet; hard Para spot 17½d. per lb. ROSIN firmly held for 17/6 common American, 18/- F and G, 18/6 N, 21/6 WG, and 23/6 per cwt. WW on spot. TURPENTINE steady at 68/- to 68/6 per cwt. for spot American, according to quantity. PETROLEUM oils without quotable change at 1/1 to 1/3 per gallon for American refined in barrels ex spot. NITRATE OF SODA—Spot parcels steady at £13 10/- to £13 15/- per ton, as to quality, in single bags, but the demand is still very moderate.

LIVERPOOL WHITE SUGAR TERMINAL MARKET.—The following are Saturday's "Official Call" prices of the United Sugar Terminal Association, Liverpool Branch:—Morning—Jan. 17/9 value, March 17/10½, sellers, 17/7½ buyers, May 17/9 done and sellers. August 17/10½ done and sellers.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR.—Melted 100 tons, exported coastwise 600 tons, raw stock 155 tons. Resumption work Clyde refineries expected this week. Meantime market still supplied with Continental sugars. Fine Dutch 18/9, ordinary 18/3; Czechos 18/4½, Belgian crystals 17/9 per cwt. f.o.b. Market firm; buyers anxious for spot sugars, which are extremely scarce; anything offering brings full prices.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LEICESTER WOOL—Conditions do not progress so fast as they might do in regard to the complete agreement of buyers and sellers as to the price of wool, and though this is not the only cause it has a good deal to do with the slackening of trade, which has been noticeable this week. Most of the hosiery departments are affected, and the shipping department also shows a decrease.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.—American—Values declined about 6 to 5 points at the opening on the overnight advices from New York, and, beyond a little shorts covering of near months, the market subsequently ruled featureless. The close was quiet but steady, with this season's crop months 2 to 5 points and new season's months 7 to 8 points lower on the day. Egyptians moved rather irregularly, but this season's months further advanced 5 to 20 points and new season's months 10 points. Spot American market is quiet; quotations are 13 points higher. Egyptian quiet; quotations of Sakellaridis are advanced 25 points, while those of Upper and Brown are 15 points lower. East Indian unaltered. Brazilian quotations are 13 points higher.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET DULL.

(FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Dull and featureless trading has been the outstanding feature of Liverpool Cotton market during the past week. Price movements have been small, and on balance the change is of small consideration.

An easy feeling was prevalent during the early part of the week, with more than ⅛d. per lb. loss; but sentiment has become more optimistic, and the loss has been recovered, although there is complete apathy among outside operators pending new developments.

The only new feature is the decision of the Master Spinners' Federation to take a ballot on the question of further short time working—from 39½ to 35 hours per week. Spinners confined to short counts are said to favour the proposal, but otherwise there is a feeling that the condition of trade hardly warrants this drastic step at present.

Though trade news has not been inspiring, the outlook is not considered to be pessimistic, and many hold the opinion that an improvement in the futures market would stimulate buying. New crop prospects are attracting more attention in view of the problematical results of next season.

On the week futures are 4 to 17 points higher.

TROPICAL PRODUCE MARKET LOWER.

FROM OUR LIVERPOOL COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.

Business in the tropical produce market has been somewhat disappointing, with prices in the chief commodities tending in buyers' favour. Palm oil has been quiet throughout the week, with prices varying from day to day. Supplies of Lagos have been more plentiful, and prices are some 10s. lower on those of last week. Softs, mediums and hards can also be purchased at from 6s. 3d. to 12s. 6d. a ton less. Most of the business done has been by professionals, though the Northern Continental ports show a little activity. Oil on spot and near at hand still commands fair premium over other positions, amounting to 6s. 3d. in the case of Lagos and softs, February-March arrival, and 25s. per ton over March-April. Hard and softs, spot and nears, show no change over February-March arrival, but 6s. 3d. per ton over March-April. During the week the business carried through has totalled some 1,650 tons, with Lagos and Sherbros quoted £44, Niger £42 2s. 6d., and Benin £42.

The palm kernel section has been a disappointing one, and prices have fallen away some 12s. 6d. on the previous quotation. Near positions continue pressed for sale by dealers, but importers have sold well and can offer but little earlier than February-April shipment. Sales have taken place in January-March shipment at £21 13s. 9d. and £21 12s. 6d. per ton, with sellers at the close for shipment at the latter price. Hull consumers have carried through a little business in December January at £22 2s. 6d., and £21 17s. 6d. February-March material, but further business can only be secured at rates some 2s. 6d. to 3s. 9d. lower. Hamburg has bought a little, paying £22 2s. 6d. for January-February.

Copra has been an irregular market, with business for the most part dull. Crushers have only taken a passing interest in afloat material, coupled with which the Chinese holidays have held up any business that might have been possible in the East. Marseilles is a steady market, with F.M. Straits, January-February shipment, obtainable at £29 15s. Sun-dried West African sorts are nominally £29 per ton, but there is little offering.

In the ground nuts decorticated Nigerians afloat is obtainable down to £25 per ton, without much inquiry, but positions up to June command £24 2s. 6d. Refined oils continue dull, with prices a shade easier. Ground nut oil, prompt delivery, offers at 59s. 6d., with forward at 57s. 6d.

MANCHESTER PROVISION TRADE.

RECOVERY IN BUTTER.

(FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Board of Trade returns show that during 1924 the Irish Free State sent 23,100 tons of butter to this country, as compared with 24,600 tons in the nine months April to December, 1923; receipts of eggs were 4,687,000 great-hundreds in 1924, against 3,345,000 great-hundreds for the nine months April to December, 1923.

In the provision trade the chief features of the week have been the steady decline in the bacon market and the recovery in butter. The lower retail price of butter was, no doubt, responsible for the increased demand to a great extent, though it is reported that Continental buyers have again turned their attention to the Scandinavian markets. This would, no doubt, account for the smaller shipments from Danish and Swedish ports to this country, and the sharp advance of 44 kroner per 100 kilos in the Danish official quotation this week points to a further decline in arrivals.

In bacon the position is very difficult to gauge. Irish light averages are officially 2s. per cwt. lower, with heavier weights 4s., 8s. and 10s. down, according to selection; but with Danish showing a further decline of 5s., on the top of last week's reduction of 10s., it would appear that Irish factors will experience great difficulty in obtaining anything like official prices. Both Canadian and American is on the easy side, but the latter is by no means popular in this district, notwithstanding the fact that it is good value at current rates.

There is little new to record in cheese; finest grass makes are in very short supply and command high prices, but fodder and winter makes are neglected. In Colonial, Canadian is practically cleared, but New Zealand showed a rather weaker feeling at the close of the week. All descriptions of lard on the easy side. In eggs more plentiful supplies are reported, but demand shows signs of improving, buyers, no doubt, wishing to cover their requirements over Shrovetide, and best qualities are moving somewhat more freely into consumption.

Arrivals of both Irish cattle and sheep to Salford market have been fairly well up to the average, but the quality and finish have not been of a very high standard, and there is no doubt that the prolonged spells of wet weather have affected condition, especially in sheep and lambs. The number of cattle shipped from Ireland to this country in 1924 is officially stated to be the largest on record, with the single exception of 1913. Shipments of sheep and lambs, following the low figure of 1923, were about normal, but pigs showed a sharp decline.

A slow, dragging trade is reported for both home killed beef and mutton, though there is little or no change to record in prices. Chilled beef shows a firmer tendency, but imported mutton and lambs were easier, with a fair demand reported at the lower prices ruling.

In the poultry market best quality chickens are scarce, but there is little new to record in this department.

LIVERPOOL MEAT IMPORTS.

Five steamers landed sheep and lamb carcases, pork and fresh beef at Liverpool during the past week from the various North and South American and Australian ports. The vessels with their freights were as follow:—The Minnedosa, from St. John, with 98 sheep and lamb carcases, 6,087 boxes of meat and 686 quarters of beef; the Arcanus, from Australia, with 3,506 sheep and lamb carcases; the Darro, from Buenos Ayres, with 38,770 sheep and lamb carcases, 828 bags and 28,588 quarters of beef; the Otarama, from Australia, with 2,202 carcases of lamb and 3,225 quarters of beef; and the Doric, from Halifax, with 550 carcases and 151 boxes of pork and 562 boxes of meat—making a total of 46,576 sheep and lamb carcases, 550 carcases and 151 boxes of pork 7,477 boxes of meat and 32,499 quarters of beef. Compared with the arrivals of the preceding week, these figures show an increase of 8,787 quarters of beef and a decrease of 1,182 cattle, 72,132 sheep and lamb carcases, 5,275 boxes and carcases of pork and 13,831 boxes of meat.

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U.S. MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSE FIRM.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)
NEW YORK, Saturday.

Stocks opened firm. An accumulation of buying orders for Oils and South-Western Railroads at new high prices sustained the market despite realising in leading Industrials. Mack Truck was sold on denials that the General Motor Co. was seeking control, and Commercial Solvents slumped 17 points in the absence of confirmation of the recent reports that the stock would be split up. The market closed firm. Government Bonds irregular; Railroad Bonds firm. The day's sales totalled 930,000 shares. Money on call dull and nominal. Sterling exchange steady. Silver ⅛c. higher for foreign mined at 69⅛.

Railroad earnings for month December—Kansas City and Southern, gross 1,646,000 dollars, increase 7,000 dollars.

Rises—Atchison Topeka Pref., Illinois Central, and Southern Railway Pref., 1; Canadian Pacific, New York Central, and Union Pacific Common, ⅞; Missouri, Kansas and Texas, 1⅛; Missouri Pacific and American Smelting and Refining Common, ⅝; Royal Dutch Petroleum, ⅜; and Pan-American Petroleum Ord. 1⅛c.

Falls—Chicago North-Western Ord. and Southern Railway Shares, ½; Lehigh Valley Shares, ⅜; and Texas and Pacific ⅜.

Missouri Kansas Adjustment Bonds advanced 1¼.

	3½b. 3⅜a	Nom.
Call Money	3½b. 3⅜a	Nom.
Exchange on Lon. 60 days sight	4.76	4.76⅛
Do. do Demand Bills	4.79⅛	4.79⅛
Cable Transfers	4.79⅛	4.79⅛
Do. Montreal	4.79⅛	4.79⅛
Exchange Paris, cable	5.42	5.43

Eng. Parity	Stocks.	Closing Bid Prices. Fri.	Business Done. Sat.
100¾	U.S. Funded	102⅛	102⅛
122⅞	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	115⅛	117⅛
99	Do. Preference	94	95
82⅛	Baltimore and Ohio	78⅛	79⅛
156⅞	Canadian Pacific	149⅛	150
101⅞	Chesapeake Ohio Com.	96	96⅞
14⅛	Chic., Mil., & St. Paul	13⅛	13⅛
74⅛	Chicago and N.-West	71⅛	71
33⅛	Erie Shares	31⅛	31⅛
45⅛	Erie 1st Preferred	43⅛	43⅛
72⅛	Great Northern Pref.	69⅛	69⅛
120⅛	Illinois Central	115	116
80⅛	Lehigh Valley	76⅛	76⅛
111⅛	Louisville & Nashville	107	107
34⅛	Missouri, Kan., & Texas	33⅛	35
38⅛	Missouri Pacific New	36⅛	37⅛
33⅛	Nat. of Mexico 1st Pref.	5⅛	5bid
7⅛	Do. 2nd Pref.	2⅛	2⅛
127⅛	N.Y. Cen. & Hudson R.	122	123⅛
134⅛	Norfolk and West Com.	128⅛	128⅛
72⅛	Northern Pacific Com.	69	70
24⅛	Ontario and Western	23⅛	23
50⅛	Pennsylvania Shares	48⅛	48⅛
81⅛	Reading Shares	78	78⅛
38⅛	Do. Preferred	37	37
88⅛	Southern Railway	85	84⅛
108⅛	Southern Pacific	104⅛	104⅛
48⅛	Texas and Pacific	46⅛	45⅛
155⅛	Union Pacific	148⅛	149⅛
77⅛	Do. Pref.	74	74⅛
23⅛	Wabash Common	22⅛	22⅛
62⅛	Do. Preferred A	60	59⅛
104⅛	American Smelt. and Refining.	99⅛	100
46⅛	Anaconda Copper	44⅛	44⅛
27⅛	British-American Tobacco Ord.	25⅛	25⅛
92	Utah Copper	88	88⅛
79⅛	New York Consolidated Gas.	76⅛	76⅛
320⅛	General Electric	307½	307½
164⅛	National Lead	154	158
131⅛	United States Steel Common	126⅛	126⅛
128⅛	Do. Pref.	123⅛	123
53⅛	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	50⅛	51
	Silver Commercial Bars	68⅛	69⅛
77⅛	General Motors (New)	74⅛	74⅛
13⅛	Inter. Mer. Marine Com Certs	13⅛	13⅛
	Do. Pref. Certs.	47	47
59⅛	Royal Dutch Ordinary	56⅛	56⅛
45⅛	Shell Ordinary	44	44
74⅛	Pan-American Petroleum Ord.	70	71⅛
20⅛	Anglo-American Oil	19⅛	19⅛
28⅛	Snell Union Oil Corp.	27⅛	27⅛
43⅛	U.S. Rubber	41⅛	41⅛
	BONDS.		
92⅛	Atch. Top. New 4% Gen. Mort	88⅛	89
67⅛	Erie Rail. Gen. 4% Lien Bonds	64⅛	64⅛
	Reading 4 p.c. Mortgage Bonds	95⅛	
95⅛	Union Pacific 4 p.c. Bonds	91⅛	91⅛
110	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5% Bds.	105⅛	105⅛
121⅛	U.K. 5½ per cent. Bonds, 1929	117	117
111	Do do 1937	106⅛	106⅛
99⅛	7 p.c. German Loan	95⅛	95⅛

*Asked. † Ex div. ‡ Ex interest. § Ex rights.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT easy, 1c. to 1⅛c. lower.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	215⅛	216⅛
No. 2 Red Winter, spot	231⅛	232⅛
No. 2 Mixed Durum, spot	217⅛	218⅛
No. 1 Northern Manitoba, spot	233⅛	235⅛

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts—Atlan.	346	215	212,151	168,763
Clearances	371	155	209,771	156,170

(In thousands of bushels.)

Sales for export, 20 boatloads.

RYE easy, ⅛c. cheaper No. 2 spot, 182⅛.

Sales for export, 10 boatloads.

BARLEY steady and unaltered. American malting, 118.

MAIZE barely steady, ⅛c. lower.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Western No. 2 mixed, spot	147⅛	147⅛

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts—Atlan.	29	67	6,469	9,638
Clearances	—	146	1,743	3,694

(In thousands of bushels.)

LARD steady and unaltered. Prime Western steam, 16.55, Middle West, 16.25 to 16.35.

FLOUR easy, 25 points cheaper. Spring clears, 100 per cent., 9.25 to 9.75.

FREIGHTS.

Heavy grain to Great Britain, per qr., 2/- to 2/3.
Heavy grain to Continent, per 100lbs., 11c to 13c.
Cotton, high density, to Great Britain, per 100lbs.—30c.
Cotton, standard bales, to Great Britain, per 100lbs., 45c.

PETROLEUM steady.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Standard White in cases	16.90	16.90
Standard White in barrels	13.50	13.50
Do. Philadelphia	13.50	13.50
Mid-Continent Crude	1 55	1 35
Pennsylvania crude	3.50-3.60	3.25-3.35

RUBBER steadier. First latex crepe, 35⅛ buyers, 36 sellers; smoked ribbed sheets, 35⅛ buyers, 35⅛ sellers.

BURLAPS quiet. Hessian cloth—Light-weight, 7.90; heavy-weight, 9.40.

COFFEE opened steady and unchanged to 14 points higher owing to favourable Brazilian markets, and further advances took place on buying by importers and commission houses, and rumours of an improvement in the interior jobbing demand. Later, realising sales caused partial reactions, but the market closed steady at 20 to 13 points rise. Spot steady and unchanged. Rio No. 7 spot, 22⅛; Santos No. 4 spot, 28. Approximate day's sales, 29,000 bags.

Futures—Options—	Feb.	Mar.	May.	June.
To-day	21.50	21.15	19.68	18.98
Prev. day	21.30	20.95	19.52	18.85
		July.	Sept.	Dec.
To-day		18.73	17.74	17.05
Prev. day		18.55	17.55	16.62

SUGAR steady and unchanged to 1 point up. Centrifugal Cuban spot steady; 96 test centrifugal Cuban, 4.62. Approximate day's sales, 14,000 tons. Yesterday's Cuban sugar sales—10,000 bags at 4.66 for prompt shipment and 5,000 bags at 4.62 for February shipment. To-day's Cuban sugar sales—34,000 bags at 4.62 for shipment first half of February.

Options—	Mar.	May.	July.	Sept.	Dec.
To-day	2 83	2.97	3.12	3.23	3.23
Prev. day	2.83	2.96	3.11	3.22	3.22

TALLOW steady. Extra loose, 9⅛.

COTTONSEED OIL quiet, but unchanged to 3 points up. Prime summer yellow spot, 10.30. Options—March, 10.94; May, 11.24; July, 11.4[illegible]; Aug., 11.53.

SHELLAC—T.N. spot, 62[illegible]

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METALS—Tin steady; spot, 57.62½; future option, 57.75. Tin Plates, 5.50. Lead steady, 9.62½. Zinc steady; East St. Louis spot, 7.50. Iron steady; No. 2 American Northern foundry, 23.50 to 24.00. Electrolytic Copper steady; spot, 14½; futures, 14½ to 15. Bessemer Steel Rails, 43.

OUTSIDE U.S. MARKETS.

KANSAS CITY—Wheat easy, 1⅛c. lower; No. 2 hard winter spot, 201⅛.

ST. LOUIS—Wheat easy, 2c. cheaper; No. 2 red winter spot, 216.

MINNEAPOLIS—Wheat easy, 1⅛c. down; No. 1 Northern spring spot, 194⅛.

DULUTH—Flaxseed easy, 1⅛c. lower. Closing option—May, 325⅛.

TOLEDO—Cloverseed steady and unchanged. Closing option—March, 19.50.

WINNIPEG—Wheat opened easy, 1c. to 1⅛c. lower, and closed easy, 1⅛c. to 2c. cheaper. Opening options—May, 215⅛; July, 212⅛. Closing options—May, 214⅛; July, 212⅛. Oats firm, 2⅛c. higher. Closing option—May, 74⅛. Flaxseed easy, 1⅛c. lower. Closing option—May, 293⅛.

Wheat receipts (carlots)	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 1 Northern	50	39
No. 2 Northern	30	31
No. 3 Northern	54	57
No. 4 Northern	44	53
Other grades	111	122
Total	289	302

NEW YORK COTTON.

COTTON opened steady, but 2 to 4 points lower, values declining on disappointing cable advices and Wall street selling; then the market reacted owing to improvement in the cotton goods trade, better Manchester news, predicted heavier exports, the firmer spot situation and covering of shorts. The market closed steady at 14 to 5 points gain. Spot steady and 15 points up. New Orleans spot 15 points higher. The current week's receipts of cotton at the ports are estimated to total 150,000 bales.

Spot middling upland at New York, 24.05.
Spot middling upland at New Orleans, 23.90.

Receipts—Atlantic ports, 10,000 bales; Gulf, 22,000; Pacific, 2,000; interior towns, 12,000. Exports—Great Britain, 23,000 bales; Continent, 1,000; Japan, 5,000.

New York futures in the last twenty seconds of trading—Jan. unquoted; Feb., lowest 23.62, highest 23.62; March, 23.77, 23.80; April, 23.93, 23.93; May, 24.10, 24.12; June, 24.21, 24.21; July, 24.32, 24.33; Aug., 24.15, 24.15; Sept., 24.27, 24.27; Oct., 24.37, 24.08; Nov., 24.10, 24.10; Dec., 24.12, 24.17.

New Orleans futures in the last minute of trading:—March, lowest 23.76, highest 23.78; May, 24.00, 24.02.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Saturday.

WHEAT opened easy, 1c. to 1⅛c. lower, on bearish cable advices, larger North-West receipts and commission house selling; then rallied on shorts covering, predictions of unfavourable weather in the North-West and outside support. The market declined again, however, owing to weakness at Winnipeg, the disappointing export inquiry and unloading by bulls, and, despite renewed covering, closed barely steady at 1c. to ⅛c. loss. Spot easier.

	To-day.	Prev. day.	
No. 2 Hard Win er spot	—	199⅛	
No. 3 Hard Winter spot	197	198	
Futures—Opening options—	May.	July.	
To-day	202⅛	170	
Prev. day	203⅛	170⅛	
Futures—Closing options—	May.	July.	Sept.
To-day	202⅛	170⅛	156⅛
Prev. day	203⅛	171⅛	157⅛

	To-day	Same day last year	This season	Last season
Receipts (W.)	1,107	789	423,613	267,011

(In thousands of bushels.)

MAIZE opened easy, ⅛c. to ⅛c. down, due to increasing stocks and larger interior receipts, but a reaction set in on buying by commission houses and outside support. The downward movement was resumed later in unison with wheat, also owing to the poor cash demand and liquidation. Subsequently the market re-advanced under bull support and covering of shorts, and closed steady, ⅛c. to ⅛c. up.

	To-day.	Prev. day.	
Spot No. 2 mixed	—	—	
Futures—Opening options—	May	July	
To-day	134⅛	135⅛	
Prev. day	135⅛	136⅛	
Futures—Closing options—	May	July.	Sept.
To-day	135⅛	136⅛	137⅛
Prev. day	135	136⅛	136⅛

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts (W.)	1,027	1,779	159,539	166,128

(In thousands of bushels.)

OATS irregular, ⅛c. up to ⅛c. down.

Futures—Closing options—	May	July	Sept.
To-day	63⅛	64⅛	60⅛
Prev. day	63⅛	64⅛	60⅛

RYE—No. 2 spot, unquoted.

Futures—Closing options—	May	July
To-day	179⅛	155⅛
Prev. day	180⅛	156⅛

PROVISIONS opened easy, and prices showed weakness early owing to the lower hog prices and adverse European advices. The market partially reacted, however, in sympathy with corn and on a moderate commission house demand, covering of shorts and investment buying. The closing was steady, with lard 5 points up to unchanged and ribs 2⅛ points lower.

Lard—Closing options	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	15.90	16.10	16.35
Prev. day	15.85	16.10	16.35
Ribs—Closing options	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	15.37⅛	—	15.67⅛
Prev. day	15.40	—	15.70

BACON steady at late rates.

Short ribbed sides (60lbs. average), 15.37⅛.

HOGS barely steady. Light sorts are unaltered, but heavy 10 to 5 points down. Light hogs, 9.65 to 10.75; heavy hogs, 10.40 to 11.05.

	To-day.	Same day last year
Receipts—Western Cities	95,000	60,000
" Chicago	11,000	8,000

Receipts of hogs at fifteen principal Western centres, including Chicago, since November 1st total 12,344,000 against 11,992,000 same season last year. The week's hog pack at Chicago totalled 194,000 compared with 216,000 in the corresponding week last year.

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PRESIDENT COSGRAVE BEEN ACCOM

NORTH DUBLIN.

CANDIDATES.
Cumann na nGaedheal: Donal O'Connor and Patrick Leonard.
Republican: Oscar Traynor.
Labour: Denis Cullen.

A LIVELY MEETING.

PRESIDENT COSGRAVE HECKLED.

A meeting in support of the Cumann na nGaedheal candidates for the vacancies in Dublin North City and South City Divisions was held in College Green yesterday afternoon, and was addressed by President Cosgrave, the candidates and other speakers.

The crowd filled the street from the King William statue to the Grattan monument. A substantial hostile element was present, as there were almost continuous interruptions in the form of ironical cheering, shouts and boohs. Several men and women were removed There were a few scuffles, but no serious disturbance.

Senator Nesbit, who presided, read a letter from the Rev. W. M. Farrell, P.P., of Aughrim street, who stated that, although he was not a member of any political organisation, he would be pleased to give his moral support to the Cumann na nGeadheal so long as they selected representatives of intellectual capacity and moral integrity, apart from their individual religious creed or their past political views. He intended to vote for the men who had pledged themselves to support the present Government, which, to his mind, deserved unstinted co-operation.

A CANDIDATE'S SPEECH.

Mr. Donal O'Connor, candidate for North City, was listened to in comparative quietness while he spoke in Irish, but immediately he began to address the meeting in English he was interrupted. He said that there were three things which affected the people—unemployment, the high cost of living, and excessive taxation.

Drainage schemes needed to be carried out, and they would provide work for many of the unemployed. It was work of national importance, which would benefit not only the present generation, but posterity, and the Minister of Finance, instead of putting the cost of it on the present generation, ought to consider the advisability of spreading the expense over a long period. A great deal of time and money had been lost owing to strikes and lock-outs, and he thought that machinery should be created which would secure the settlement of disputes while the workers still remained in their employment.

THE ONLY GOVERNMENT.

Mr. Richard Mulcahy, who spoke first in Irish, had a very mixed reception, and for the first few minutes he carried on amidst a storm of cheers and counter cheers. However, towards the end of his address he got a much quieter hearing. He said that in that election the people of Dublin were asked to realise that the Cumann na nGaedheal Government was the only Government which they could set up in Ireland to-day, and they were going to show people inside and outside Ireland that the country had the best Government it could have in the eyes of its people.

The electors had to secure by their voting that a group of men were put and kept in power who could do the country's work, and their was only one political party in Ireland to-day that could give them such a group. The present election was brought about because the Government's policy was challenged. The policy of the Government was to go straight ahead with the work, and whether people shouted or interrupted, there was the evidence from one end of Ireland to the other that the people knew that the work of the country was being put into proper train through the machinery that was there for it. Thoughtful people were entitled to ask how they were going to get ahead with that work and in that connection what had Mr. de Valera to say?

A Voice—"Up de Valera," and cheers.

Mr. Mulcahy, continuing, asked what had that pseudo-leader of one particular pseudo-policy, or what had the Editor of the *Irish Times* on another side—another pseudo-leader of another particular and occult policy—to say?

MR. DE VALERA'S STATEMENT.

People were entitled to ask were they to take no notice of those statements. Mr. de Valera said: "In the light of what has happened it can undoubtedly be argued that if those who had been unfaithful to their Oaths had been dealt with vigorously, as had been suggested, things would have been very different."

Did Mr. de Valera mean by that, asked Mr. Mulcahy, that Sean Hales and General Collins should have been killed sooner? Did he mean that President Cosgrave, and Messrs. Blythe and O'Higgins (boohs), and Gearoid O'Sullivan, and Sean McMahon, and Dick Mulcahy should have been killed too? Or did Mr. de Valera mean that they should have been arrested by him, and that he would then have carried on as of old? Those questions were very interesting, but they would not stop from their work to examine them.

Mr. de Valera had also said that the British were still here, and that "our work to-day, as of old, is to get rid of them." He had said in public that there were two ways of putting them out, by force or to reason them out, but he had not yet decided which way he would do it.

"IRISH TIMES" ARTICLES.

People referred to articles by the Editor of the *Irish Times*, and asked were they not entitled to ponder and to think over these things. On the 15th January, 1925, the *Irish Times* wrote:—"If Britain should hold the Free State to such strict accountancy as America asserted in the case of Britain's war debt, it is quite probable that insolvency would overtake us in the near future."

Again, people pointed to the following statement in the *Irish Times* on the 23th January, 1925:—"Until the last by-elections frightened the Government no attempt was made to secure responsible ex-Unionists as candidates at Parliamentary elections"; and the *Irish Times* said also that there would be no money for construction except it was controlled by British engineers, no money for industry if there was to be protection.

"Why can we not turn aside from our work to examine these things?" people ask, and we say "Don't," said the speaker.

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A LIVELY MEETING.

PRESIDENT COSGRAVE HECKLED.

A meeting in support of the Cumann na nGaedheal candidates for the vacancies in Dubli. North City and South City Divisions was held in College Green yesterday afternoon, and was addressed by President Cosgrave, the candidates and other speakers.

The crowd filled the street from the King William statue to the Grattan monument. A substantial hostile element was present, as there were almost continuous interruptions in the form of ironical cheering, shouts and boohs. Several men and women were removed There were a few scuffles, but no serious disturbance.

Senator Nesbit, who presided, read a letter from the Rev. W. M. Farrell, P.P., of Aughrim street, who stated that, although he was not a member of any political organisation, he would be pleased to give his moral support to the Cumann na nGaedheal so long as they selected representatives of intellectual capacity and moral integrity, apart from their individual religious creed or their past political views. He intended to vote for the men who had pledged themselves to support the present Government, which, to his mind, deserved unstinted co-operation.

A CANDIDATE'S SPEECH.

Mr. Donal O'Connor, candidate for North City, was listened to in comparative quietness while he spoke in Irish, but immediately he began to address the meeting in English he was interrupted. He said that there were three things which affected the people—unemployment, the high cost of living, and excessive taxation.

Drainage schemes needed to be carried out, and they would provide work for many of the unemployed. It was work of national importance, which would benefit not only the present generation, but posterity, and the Minister of Finance, instead of putting the cost of it on the present generation, ought to consider the advisability of spreading the expense over a long period. A great deal of time and money had been lost owing to strikes and lock-outs, and he thought that machinery should be created which would secure the settlement of disputes while the workers still remained in their employment.

THE ONLY GOVERNMENT.

Mr. Richard Mulcahy, who spoke first in Irish, had a very mixed reception, and for the first few minutes he carried on amidst a storm of cheers and counter cheers. However, towards the end of his address he got a much quieter hearing. He said that in that election the people of Dublin were asked to realise that the Cumann na nGaedheal Government was the only Government which they could set up in Ireland to-day, and they were going to show people inside and outside Ireland that the country had the best Government it could have in the eyes of its people.

The electors had to secure by their voting that a group of men were put and kept in power who could do the country's work, and their was only one political party in Ireland to-day that could give them such a group. The present election was brought about because the Government's policy was challenged. The policy of the Government was to go straight ahead with the work, and whether people shouted or interrupted, there was the evidence from one end of Ireland to the other that the people knew that the work of the country was being put into proper train through the machinery that was there for it. Thoughtful people were entitled to ask how they were going to get ahead with that work and in that connection what had Mr. de Valera to say?

A Voice—"Up de Valera," and cheers.

Mr. Mulcahy, continuing, asked what had that pseudo-leader of one particular pseudo-policy, or what had the Editor of the *Irish Times* on another side—another pseudo-leader of another particular and occult policy—to say?

MR. DE VALERA'S STATEMENT.

People were entitled to ask were they to take no notice of those statements. Mr. de Valera said: "In the light of what has happened it can undoubtedly be argued that if those who had been unfaithful to their Oaths had been dealt with vigorously, as had been suggested, things would have been very different."

Did Mr. de Valera mean by that, asked Mr. Mulcahy, that Sean Hales and General Collins should have been killed sooner? Did he mean that President Cosgrave, and Messrs. Blythe and O'Higgins (boohs), and Gearoid O'Sullivan, and Sean McMahon, and Dick Mulcahy should have been killed too? Or did Mr. de Valera mean that they should have been arrested by him, and that he would then have carried on as of old? Those questions were very interesting, but they would not stop them from their work to examine them.

Mr. de Valera had also said that the British were still here, and that "our work to-day, as of old, is to get rid of them." He had said in public that there were two ways of putting them out, by force or to reason them out, but he had not yet decided which way he would do it.

"IRISH TIMES" ARTICLES.

People referred to articles by the Editor of the *Irish Times*, and asked were they not entitled to ponder and to think over these things. On the 15th January, 1925, the *Irish Times* wrote:—"If Britain should hold the Free State to such strict accountancy as America asserted in the case of Britain's war debt, it is quite probable that insolvency would overtake us in the near future."

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SOUTH DUBLIN.

CANDIDATES.
Cumann na nGaedheal: **T. J. Hennessy.**
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Labour: **Thomas Lawlor.**

Dr. Hennessy, candidate for Dublin South, said that the Government had shown itself worthy of support, and it had to its credit legislation and achievements which would be envied by the oldest nations in Europe or America. They had in the Free State a constitution worthy of any Republic, old or new. It was not the Government who were responsible for the reduction of old age pensions, but the people who were responsible for destruction. The Government had done wonderful work in face of what might be considered unsuperable difficulties, put in the way by people who called themselves Irishmen.

At this point Dr. Hennessy was subjected to considerate interruption.

Continuing, he said that the Free State stood for national dignity and independence.

Surgeon McArdle, in a brief address, said that he knew nothing about politics, but he did know all about Ireland. He was there chiefly to support his friend, Dr. Hennessy, the candidate for South Dublin, "and," he concluded, "whatever you do with the other two candidates, for God's sake vote for him." (Loud laughter.)

PRESIDENT COSGRAVE.

President Cosgrave, who got a most cordial reception, opened his address with the words he used when addressing the League of Nations over fifteen months ago—"In the name of God, to this meeting life and health." That, he declared, summarised the policy of the Government. What was the policy of those opposed to them? (Cries of "Destruction" and "They have no policy.") They had threatened life, and they had done nothing for the health of the people.

Dr. Hennessy had mentioned that there were few among their opponents to booh the "Black and Tans" when they trailed the Sinn Fein flag in the mud. He knew that Dr. Hennessy was one who did booh, and who came out into the Press and denounced the British Government for interfering with grants which they had collected in taxation for hospitals and local authorities throughout the country. He had courage.

At this stage a woman, with a baby in arms, at the front of the platform, shouted, "Murderer," and was taken away to the outskirts of the crowd.

Dr. Hennessey, the President continued, denounced the British Government for their inhuman war on women and children. When they got back the money that had been withheld the rates in this country were very much lessened, and in the first few months of the new Goverrment they got a million pounds for new houses. ("What happened that money?" shouted a voice.)

"I will tell you what we did with it," President Cosgrave replied. "Nine hundred and forty houses have been erected here in Dublin, or are in course of erection, and that is better than expressing regret for not being able to devote a paragraph to housing, as your great mouthpiece said a few months ago. If he lived in the slums of the city he would devote more than a paragraph to housing. There are some of us, before ever he was heard of in public life, who knew what it was to live in them.

"We have this year under a Housing Act, which a great many critics said was an absolute failure from the beginning, 2,500 houses either passed for the grant or in course of construction, and, adding that to the number built out of the million pounds, we find that since the Free State Government came into existence 4,600 houses are in the course of erection all over Ireland, and will be completed before the end of this year. Up to 1922, when the Free State came into existence, all that had been constructed under the Artisans Dwellings Act in Ireland was 10,000, and in three short years we have managed to get almost within half of that number. (Applause.) That is something in the nature of constructive work."

MANAGING DIRECTOR.

Nowadays, he continued, a Government is supposed to be in the position of a managing director of the entire business of the country. He invited the attention of economists to one or two features of the way in which the business of the country had been run. In the first place, in the year that civil war raged, they borrowed money at 5½ per cent. There were people who would say that their financial policy was short-sighted. They answered that they borrowed that money on the face of a prospectus which stated that it should be paid back inside twenty years, and the people who criticised them apparently thought that they could borrow money to-day and to-morrow tell the man from whom they borrow it, "I cannot pay within twenty years; you will have to put that on the long finger."

That was not honest dealing, and a country which started playing fast and loose with the financial policy could not expect, when more money was required, to borrow it at a low price. They had borrowed money at such a low price that they could afford to pay it back and at the same time not pay as much as some nations on the Continent had to pay in interest alone.

People charged the Government with bad business, as if the Government were responsible for low prices for exports or for other accidents that happened in industry. Now they had tended in their fiscal policy towards a mild form of protection, with a view to seeing where they could, the most cheaply, improve their own manufactures and industries, without unduly raising the prices of commodities to the people, and, as a result of their policy, quite a large number of new firms had started business.

In Dublin, within twelve months of the setting up of the Free State, three factories were started, and he found that as a result of the Act of last year something like eight or nine firms had also started in different parts of the country. If there was one thing that was going to make success or failure in any country it was business.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

It was their duty to do something to make the country better than it was when they got it. In order to see what industries might best be served by the Government they formed an Advisory Committee, to get into touch with manufacturers and those engaged in every industry of importance, so that they might get a really true picture of the real needs and requirements of everyone of the important industries in the country. If there was a better policy, and, if there were people who thought that they could apply it to the country more quickly, they were not going to stand in the way of their doing so; but it was not by talk it was going to be done.

General Mulcahy had mentioned that as a result of their Railways Act there had been a reduction in transport charges of 12½ per cent. Somebody in speaking of that Act a short time ago said that they had no responsibility for it, and they did not know if it was going to be a success. As far as the business of the country was concerned those engaged in transport, at any rate, knew that it had been a success.

TAXATION.

There were people who said that they must lower taxation; that taxation was too high. Taxes were high, he agreed. It would be a good thing to lower taxation. But to those economists he said that, if the real needs of the country required that for a year or two taxation should be high, in order that industries should be helped and the conditions of the people improved, in order that they might live in better houses and rear healthier children—then he said that taxation, even if it were higher for a year or two, and value was got for the money, the money would be well raised.

He regretted that Messrs. McCarthy, Sean McGarry, and Frank Cahill resigned from the Dail. They were old friends of his, men with whom he had worked for something like 20 years. He thought it was a great political mistake that they should have resigned. "Resignation," Parnell said once, "should never be contemplated."

Speaking in regard to the candidates, the President said that Mr. Leonard's family had enriched the city's hospitals by something like £40,000. Mr. O'Connor had been in the national movement as long as he (the President) had been in it, working quietly, giving his time, his attention and genius to [illegible]ing the country.

When President Cosgrave mentioned the name of Mr. Mulcahy there was loud cheering intermingled with groans, and the President said—"The nationality of this country is safe in General Mulcahy's keeping. If there is one more tribute I would like to pay him it is what the irregulars paid when they said—"If we had had him, we would have won." (Cheers.) "Sour grapes!"

MR. LEONARD.

Mr. Patrick Leonard, one of the candidates, said that money was needed for the development of the country. They must cut down all unnecessary expenses, encourage industries, improve trade, and take steps—as he knew the Government was taking steps—to ensure that the products of the country, their livestock, and the produce of their farms were delivered to their customers in as good, if not in a better, condition than the products of their competitors. When he and his son were shot at, when trying to provide food for the citizens, he was an optimist, and he was now a greater optimist than then. As a Free State, Ireland itself would be the envy of the nations. (Applause.)

Captain Henry Harrison also addressed the meeting.

The Chairman having appealed to the electors to keep the present Government in power, the meeting ended.

LABOUR CAMPAIGN.

MR. T. JOHNSON ON TAX REDUCTIONS.

Speaking at a meeting in the Banba Hall yesterday in support of the Labour candidates for North and South Dublin, Mr. Thomas Johnson, T.D., said that it was a disgrace that the city did not send a single Labour representative out of fifteen to the first Irish Parliament.

All the signs, he declared, pointed to the probability that future Government policy was to be more than ever the policy dictated by the business man, the merchant, the banker, and, perhaps, the cattle rancher. There was evidence on every hand of a desire to curtail the liberties of trade unions, to make strikes illegal, to reduce the standard of comfort of the workers, and to deprive the Irish people of many of the benefits of social legislation passed in the British Parliament, such as old age pensions, unemployment and health insurance, maternity and workmen's compensation, because they placed a slight burden on the employing classes.

They read of the agonising cry of the business interests for lower taxes. They never heard from the business interests a demand for lower taxes for articles of common consumption by the poor, such as tea, sugar, tobacco, etc. The Labour Party said: "no reduction on the taxes of the rich until you reduce the taxation which falls upon the poor."

Speaking as an advocate of temperance reform, he said that to reduce income tax while leaving the taxes on intoxicating liquor at their present level was to raise a barrier against temperance. For this would be to leave the Minister of Finance more than ever dependent on the sale of intoxicating liquor for his revenue, and thereby prevent any serious attempt to reduce the consumption of drink.

The Republicans claimed to be democrats, but alleged that the Free State Government was a usurpation. To speak of a Government which acted with the consent of the majority as a usurpation was surely a contradiction in the mouth of a democrat. To establish in fact as well as in theory a separate republic in Ireland would mean a new revolution, and not improbably renewed civil war.

Mr. Thomas Lawlor, Labour candidate, said that the Government stifled the voice of the people by the suppression of public boards in the city.

Mr. Denis Cullen, the second candidate, said it was a lie to declare he had ever "scabbed" in a Dublin labour dispute.

Senator Thomas Farren said that the country could produce more foodstuffs than would feed more than the population, still farm labourers and thousands of workers were starving in the streets of the city and in the country.

Mr. Lawlor also spoke at a Labour meeting in the Trades' Hall, Winetavern street.

REPUBLICAN MEETING.

"Ireland to-day is ruled by a British garrison, organised in the Masonic Lodges, speaking through the Free State Parliament, and playing the cards of England all the time," said Mr. Sean Lemass at a meeting in Manor street yesterday in the interest of the Republican candidate for North Dublin, Mr. Oscar Traynor.

"If this nation is to get a chance to live," he added, "we must sweep the Free State and all it stands for out of existence. It was established by misrepresentation, and maintained by crime. The name of Ireland is a synonym for crime and shame. Partial independence has given us poverty, unemployment, and a burden of taxation. The Free State cannot be secure while there are half-a-dozen people who profess the Republican creed."

Mr. Gerald Boland, Mr. Oscar Traynor, the candidate; Mrs. Tom Clarke, and Mr. Sean McEntee also spoke.

SOUTH DUBLIN.

CANDIDATE ON ACCEPTANCE OF TREATY.

Speaking at a Cumann na nGaedheal Convention last Saturday night, when he was selected as candidate for South Dublin, Dr. T. J. Hennessy, secretary of the Irish Medical Council, in returning thanks for his selection, said that he was a Tipperary man, and he hoped that he would be able to live up to the reputation of Tipperary. He was a whole-hearted supporter of the Government, on the merits of the Government. Everyone had to recognise that great things for the country had been accomplished by the men composing the Government. They had brought order out of absolute chaos, and, with the common-sense of the people asserting itself, they had made ready the way for Ireland becoming a first-class nation, as great as any nation of her size on the map of Europe.

He was thoroughly convinced that the highest ideals of an Irish civilisation could be attained under the Constitution of the Irish Free State. It was all very well for some people to say that the country had not attained full independence, but in twenty-six counties they had secured practical independence. It should be remembered that their fight was against the greatest Empire in the world, an Empire having to its credit the almost ignominious subjection of the greatest fighting machine in the world. Germany submitted in order to save herself economically. She knew that she could go another round—a dozen rounds—but, being wise and patriotic, her people accepted the inevitable to save what they had and to live to fight another day. Those who accepted the Irish Free State voted from the same patriotic motives.

By tact and common-sense they could now show to the people of the North-East that the Free State was a country worth joining up with. He was not one of those who believed that the Ulster question could be settled by treating it like a rock in the road—to be removed by blasting. Victory achieved in that way would not be worth the ultimate cost. The real victory would come when they in the Free State could show to the people in the North that it was their own interests to associate themselves with the great movement to make Ireland a first-class nation. (Applause.)

Army Veteran's Death.—Mr. William T. Heddick, who was born near Kilkenny, died a week ago at Montreal, aged 74. He served 21 years in the Cheshire Regiment, and afterwards was for nine years with the Egyptian Army, under Lord Kitchener, being confidential secretary to Colonel Appleby.

CARLOW-KILKENNY.

REPUBLICAN PLANS.

SEARCHING ANALYSIS BY MR. O'HIGGINS.

NO FUTURE IN CHAOS.

CANDIDATES.
Cumann na nGaedheal: **Thomas Bolger.**
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From Our Special Correspondent.

CARLOW, Sunday.

Between six and seven hundred people attended the meeting which was addressed by Mr. Kevin O'Higgins here to-day. The electors of the town and district seem to have fallen into a state of extreme apathy, from which they can be roused only by the most indefatigable efforts of the Cumann na nGaedheal organisers.

There is much unemployment in the town and . . people feel, as one prominent local business man expressed it, that they are getting too much talk and too little work. It may be that this feeling was responsible in some way for the small attendance at to-day's meeting. Mr. Nicholas P. Roche, Carlow, presided.

Save for a few interruptions from a couple of young men on the outskirts of the crowd, the meeting passed off quietly, although there was not much enthusiasm. Mr. O'Higgins had a good reception.

MINISTER'S SPEECH.

Mr. O'Higgins said that the nine by-elections, troublesome and expensive as they were, were not an unmixed evil. They gave the people an opportunity to take stock calmly of the national position and to weigh the merits of the programmes of rival political parties.

Dealing with the speech which Mr. de Valera delivered at Cavan on the 25th ult., Mr. O'Higgins said that he did not understand the Republican leader's position with regard to elections. "Why," asked Mr. O'Higgins, "should he appeal to the people if he does not recognise their right to decide political issues? Is he not in the position of a man appealing to a Court whose jurisdiction he denies and is prepared to make war upon? He speaks once more of 'wading through the blood of Irish Ministers and Irish soldiers.' Ministers hold office by the support of a majority of the people's representatives in Dail Eireann, and the Army is the instrument of a Government which answers daily to the people through their Parliament; yet Mr. de Valera, while in the very act of appealing for support for his candidate in Cavan, slips his hand to his hip pocket and talks murder. He always did like to have it both ways.

"It is for the people to consider whether it is consistent with their dignity and self-respect to give their support to persons whose whole attitude constitutes a challenge to and a denial of their right to decide political issues at all."

THE OATH.

Quoting a passage in Mr. de Valera's speech at Cavan—"If we had only dealt drastically with those who had been unfaithful to their oaths, things might have been different"—Mr. O'Higgins said that that was Mr. de Valera's way of saying that the deputies who refused to thrust the country back into hopeless war should have been assassinated. He recalled that at a private session of Dail Eireann in August, 1921, Mr. de Valera said—"For my part, I never interpreted the oath as anything more than a promise to the people to do the best I could for them. If I thought for one moment that it bound me to any particular settlement, I never would have taken it," and insisted that, if he were re-elected President, it must be on the understanding that his hands were perfectly free to make the best settlement he could. When Mr. de Valera precipitated civil war to the tune of the "existing Republic" he perpetrated as gross a fraud as was ever practised by an unscrupulous politician upon a simple people.

"I do not know what your view is on the question of whether there was at any time in this country an 'existing Republic'," said Mr. O'Higgins. "If there was, I say deliberately that it went whistling down the wind on the day on which a unanimous Dail re-elected as President a man who demanded re-election with 'free hands,' and who had stated to the Dail that he had never regarded the Dail oath as anything more than a promise to do the best he could.

A YEARLY TRIBUTE.

"I want to say once more that one week before the Treaty was signed Mr. de Valera dictated this oath across the Cabinet table to the plenipotentiaries.

"I, Eamon de Valera, do hereby swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of Ireland and to the Treaty of Association of Ireland with the British Commonwealth of Nations, and to recognise His Britannic Majesty as head of the Associated States."

In addition, Mr. de Valera intimated to the plenipotentiaries that he would be prepared to accept and sponsor a proposal that we should pay a yearly sum to the British King's personal revenue as the outward and visible sign of our recognition of his headship of the Associated States

Yet Mr. de Valera and Mr. Austin Stack, who agreed with him, allowed it to be represented to young Volunteers, who took an oath from some company captain behind a hedge, that they were bound morally, bound in honour, bound in discipline to cut their country's throat to the tune of the "existing Republic."

If Mr. de Valera had either a sense of shame or a sense of humour there were certain subjects which he would avoid. What right had he to talk of taxation, who pressed the button for forty million pounds worth of civil war? What right had he to talk of economic depression and unemployment who left nothing undone to destroy the roads and railways, adopting as a deliberate policy and objective the economic ruin of the country?

"The Government," said Mr. O'Higgins, "is doing its utmost to remedy the evils which the criminal folly of Mr. de Valera and his followers has loosed upon the country. We recognise the right of everyone except Mr. de Valera and his party to complain about those evils and to urge that nothing be left undone and that no time be lost in alleviating the situation. We are grappling with economic depression and unemployment along lines which we believe will lead to a real and permanent improvement. We recognise that taxation is high and that a reduction is desirable at the earliest possible date. In the meantime we deny the right of Mr. de Valera and Miss MacSwiney to complain about it."

A GOOD RECORD.

Mr. O'Higgins then explained what the Government has done during the past two or three years, and claimed that its legislative and administrative achievements in the face of enormous difficulties would stand the closest scrutiny and justify a renewal of the electors' confidence. Out of all the chaos which followed Mr. de Valera's message of anarchy—"The country is yours for the taking; take it"—there had emerged the ordered institutions of a State. Some of the machinery might be new and stiff, but it could be altered and improved in detail in calmer days when the results of its operations had been noted. He believed that it would be found that fundamentally the constructive administrative work of the last few years would stand the test of time. In the sphere of legislation also he believed that few mistakes would be detected.

The Minister mentioned that land purchase is in the course of completion, and that Acts have been introduced which will help the farmers to compete successfully with their Continental rivals. He inclined to the view that the work of the Minister for Industry and Commerce in furthering the scheme for the development of the water-power of the Shannon represented "a better and healthier type of patriotism than the wrecking of Mallow Bridge or the burning of a homestead."

The construction of two thousand houses, the drainage of the Barrow, the introduction of the best sugar industry and other schemes of development were described by Mr. O'Higgins as "more beneficial to the people than the penny-dreadful heroics which we are treated to from the platforms of our opponents."

NOT CONJURORS.

"We are not political conjurors," he added. "We make no claim to be able to produce a Republic from the tall hat of the Treaty with one hand, bring in the North-Eastern counties with the other, and at the same time relieve unemployment, reduce taxation and bring down the cost of living. If you believe that Mr. de Valera can do these things, vote for his candidates. If you believe, as I do, that he could only achieve the permanent loss of the North-East and the permanent economic crippling of the remainder of the country, vote against his candidates.

"Idealism is the salt of life, but you cannot live on it. A certain amount of bread and butter and meat go very well with it. This country cannot live on political propaganda. Hymns of hate against England or any other country will not feed a single hungry mouth or find work for idle hands."

It was suggested, said Mr. O'Higgins, that because the Government was concentrating on economic problems it was in some occult way declaring war on racial and cultural movements indicative of our distinct nationality. Racial and cultural movements would come not artificially from a Government and Parliament, but naturally and spontaneously from the people. They would come the more readily from a people that was not too preoccupied with the question of where to-morrow's dinner was to come from.

SHIFTING LANDMARKS.

"If we have asked for a recognition of the fact that the position attained through the Treaty calls for a shifting of old political landmarks and an obliteration of party divisions that have no reference nor application to present-day circumstances; if we have asked the people to ensure that the men to be returned to the Dail will be men who are fitted in every way to perform the work which is proper to the Dail, are we to be told that we are doing something of which Griffith or Collins or Thomas Davis or any great leader of Nationalism in the past would disapprove?

"I ask you to agree with me that the programme which Mr. Bolger represents in this constituency is more in your own interests and more in the general interests of the country than that which his opponent advocates. You have no future in chaos, you have no future in revolution. Neither bomb nor land-mine can solve the problems which confront the country now. Revolution has achieved for this country all that revolution can achieve. In peace, in order, in decency of life, in charity between man and man this country must seek its evolution and the fulfilment of its destiny." (Applause.)

A POOR CHOICE.

Professor O'Sullivan, T.D., said that the Irregulars gave the electors no chance of putting other people in instead of the Government. The only choice they gave them was to show their dissatisfaction by cutting their own throats. They were asked to elect men who boasted that they would not represent the people in the National Parliament.

What was the good of being told that certain people stood where they stood in 1917? So would a block of granite. The Government was prepared to face any number of problems, but it would have to have the credit that came from the solid support of the country.

Senator De Loughrey, the Mayor of Kilkenny, after having effectively disposed of some interruptions, warned the people against the danger of apathy. The people of Kilkenny would do their part, and if the people of Carlow did as much Mr. Bolger would be elected by an overwhelming majority.

Mr. Bolger, the candidate, also spoke.

KILKENNY MEETING.

Mr. O'Higgins and his party arrived in Kilkenny shortly after 4 o'clock, and were accorded an enthusiastic welcome by a large gathering.

Senator De Loughrey, Mayor of Kilkenny, presided, and amongst those present on the platform were Senator the Dowager Countess of Desart, the Rev. J. Rowe, C.C., Callan; the Rev. A. O'Keeffe, St. Mary's, Kilkenny; Dr. Dundon, Borris; Mr. J. Walshe, Templedrum, and Mr. John McKenna.

Senator De Loughrey was heckled about the old age pensions cut. He replied that if they supported those people who went out and caused destruction to the tune of forty millions they would have no old age pensions at all. Questioned about the Government unemployment grant, he said the grant that was obtained was given as far as it went for the relief of unemployment.

Mr. O'Higgins repeated the speech that he had delivered in Carlow, and was frequently applauded.

SLIGO-LEITRIM.

THE PEOPLE AND THE TREATY.

MR. FITZGERALD AND THE EXECUTIONS.

CANDIDATES.
Cumann na nGaedheal: **A. Mooney and M. Roddy.**
Republican: **Frank O'Beirne and Samuel Holt.**

From Our Correspondent.

MANORHAMILTON, Sunday.

Mr. Patrick Fox, D.C., presided at a meeting held in Manorhamilton to-day in support of the Ministerial Party candidates.

Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald, Minister for External Affairs, who was warmly received, said that the Government were the servants of the people, and anything done by the Government was done for and in the name of the people.

You are the masters of this country, he said, and we come before you to ask you if you are satisfied with what we are doing. If you are not satisfied you have an opportunity of putting in the people who will satisfy you. The Irish nation has time and again demonstrated that they wanted the Treaty, and that they did not want the anti-Treaty party; but the anti-Treaty party want to be the masters, and to carry on a war against England.

A Voice—What about the eighty-seven executions?

Mr. Fitzgerald—There were only seventy-seven, and had there not been those seventy-seven, you might have been encouraged to carry on the war against your fellow-countrymen, and there would have been twice as many shot.

He referred to the many Acts passed for the improvement and uplifting of the Irish race.

Mr. James N. Dolan asked the people to vote for Rooney and Roddy, who would go into the Dail to do what they could for the Irish people. There was much to be done by the way of development of agriculture and industry, and it was only by working their own Irish Government that they would have a bright future for their country, and there was a bright future before it.

A Voice—What about John Dillon's letter?

Mr. Dolan—John Dillon is a big number like yourself. (Cheers.)

The meeting ended soon afterwards.

AT DROMAHAIR

THE QUESTION FOR ELECTORS

Speaking at Dromahair Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald, Minister for External Affairs, said that in 1922 the Irish people decided to accept the Treaty, and the present Government came into operation under abnormal conditions. Whatever might be said against them, it might at least be admitted that they had brought the country to a sense of security.

The question before them now was—Were they going to throw aside that sense of security for the instability which was offered them by the programme of their opponents? One of the Acts passed by the present Government was an Act under which the farmers would become their own land-owners, and in the County of Leitrim alone it affected 13,000 acres of land. The Dairy Produce Bill was brought in to enable them to compete with such countries as Denmark, and he had no doubt that if they supported the present Government they would be in a position in a very short time to make 5s., where at present they were making only 4s., on their farming produce.

He referred to the Shannon scheme, and said that it was one of the biggest undertakings that a Government might embark on. If the people wanted prosperity and better conditions it was their duty to vote for the Government candidates.

Mr. Martin Roddy, candidate, said that the Government had been criticised by the farmers, but before they could do anything for the farmers the Government had to restore law and order, and they had done so. If properly worked, the Dairy Produce Bill would put them in a position of equality with their rivals on the English markets, and would, in a few years, increase the revenue derived from agriculture by at least four or five million pounds per annum.

Mr. J. N. Dolan, T.D., said that the Government had laid the foundations of a successful and prosperous State.

Mr. John James, the prominent Welsh publisher, and head of the National Press of Wales, Carnarvon, has died at the age of 71.

ROSCOMMON.

NO PEACE WITHOUT FREEDOM.

MR. DE VALERA AND THE NEED OF COURAGE.

CANDIDATES.
Cumann na nGaedheal: **Martin Conlon.**
Republican: **J. J. O'Kelly.**

From Our Special Correspondent.

BALLAGHADEREEN, Sunday.

Mr. de Valera to-day addressed a meeting of his friends and supporters at Ballaghadereen in aid of the candidature of Mr. J. J. O'Kelly for Roscommon. The assembly was held on the Square, in front of the residence of Mr. John Dillon, who surveyed the scene and must have heard some of the speeches from one of his windows. There were several bands and banners, and a large proportion of the gathering was composed of women and children. Mr. Frank Swifte acted as chairman.

Mr. Bryan O'Higgins said that since the Treaty had been accepted by men who had broken their oaths Ireland got only the contempt of every liberty-loving nation of the world. The Treaty, he said, was a document of shame, signed in haste, and it was merely a stepping-stone to jobs and riches for the few, without any regard at all to the honour of the nation, its welfare and independence. The Treaty gave Ireland partition, poverty, increased taxation, unemployment, drunkenness, and filled the graves with the bodies of hundreds of young Irishmen whose only crime was that they dared to stand true to the ideals of Pearse and MacSwiney.

Mr. J. J. O'Kelly, the candidate, said that since he had been in the town he was asked, "How do you expect the Republic of Ireland would be recognised without more bloodshed?" There was hardly a country in the world in which Irishmen had not fought for human liberty, and, according to historical precedents, which he quoted, they would win their own. The Republicans had been accused of robbing the banks. He presumed that nobody believed that the army of the Republicans had been robbing the banks. It was the English Government that was robbing them. They had sent their Black and Tans in lorries to take away all the gold that they could find in the banks, and left the people of Ireland without anything but paper money.

MR. DE VALERA.

Mr. de Valera, in the course of his speech, said that he had nothing new to tell them—just the same story as he had told them when he was there six years ago on the same platform with Mr. John Dillon. The problem which they had to face now was the same as that which they had to face then. Six years ago the threat was very immediate, but not so open as it was to-day. The enemy was the same.

England, he said, wants still to use the people of this country in her own interests, and wants to interfere in our affairs; but I want to say that England is not going to have her own way.

Mr. Dillon and himself, he continued, stood together then because they both appreciated the nature of the threat with which the nation was faced. If Mr. Dillon and his supporters had gone against the Republicans then, in all probability they would have had the English here now. If they then had the courage to stand up against England, and had not allowed her to drive them back inch by inch, the Republican Party would have stood behind Mr. Dillon and his party. He would have been ashamed to stand on the platform if, in 1921, he had been one of those who accepted the Treaty. He asked the people of Roscommon and Mayo to elect now men who would be loyal to the principle of the Republic, and who would tell them, at all costs, to maintain the independence of their country and to set up a sovereign assembly like that which had been set up in 1919.

There was no use in wishing for freedom unless they were ready to make the necessary sacrifices to attain it. Their opponents, in saying what they said, were either dreamers or schemers, and were not facing the realities. If this generation was not bold enough to say that it will not give up that which it has a right to, then he could only say that Ireland must wait for another generation to secure that freedom that was worth getting.

REPUBLICANS AND PROTECTION.

The British had not left Ireland yet. They were effectively established in the six counties, with their military and other forces, and could walk over the imaginary boundary line at any time that they pleased. Taxation in the twenty-six counties was heavier now than ever before, and John Bull was the greatest gombeen man in the world so far as Ireland was concerned. The Republican Party stood for protection of selected articles of commerce—those articles which, from the national point of view, ought to be produced in this country. They would not choose the article out of a hat, as the Free State Government seemed to have done. About two million pounds worth of boots and shoes had been imported since May last, and a tax of something like two hundred thousand pounds had been paid on them. Practically all that money had come out of the pockets of the poor to pay the Government's officials.

The Republicans hoped and believed that the position of the nation was not irretrievable. They believed that if the people showed courage similar to that which they showed in 1919 the result of the coming elections would be the same as when they defeated England's proposal for Conscription. He could not promise exactly what the result would be for certain, but he could say that there would be less temptation to the enemy to come along than if he perceived that the people were down-hearted and ready to run away. They would not have peace without freedom, and they would not have prosperity without independence. What they wanted most was courage to face it, and, if they had sufficient courage, they would win.

NORTH MAYO.

PEACE AND ORDER.

WHAT GOVERNMENT HAS ACHIEVED.

CANDIDATES.
Cumann na nGaedheal: **M. Tierney.**
Republican: **Thomas Derrig.**

The campaign in North Mayo on behalf of the Government candidate, Professor Tierney, opened yesterday with meetings in Rooskey, Charlestown, Midfield, Carracastle, Pulathomas, Erris and Swinford.

Speaking at Swinford, the Minister for Defence (Mr. S. Hughes) said that the Government's policy was to make this a country in which the people might live in peace and decency and prosperity. During the past two years the Government had brought order out of chaos and had passed a land bill under which 1,500,000 acres would be divided to relieve congestion and enlarge uneconomic holdings. Money had been set aside for public works, and Mayo had got its quota.

Mr. de Valera said that he had a policy which he would not give now for fear the Government might take it up and use it, but the man who said that had no policy.

"The day when the man with the gun," said Mr. Hughes, "could rule in this country is gone, and gone for ever. You remember not so long ago when a man could not have a pound in his pocket going home to his family but he was held up by a bully with a gun, and sent home without his money, perhaps to a starving wife and family.

"Our Army and our police force will see to these people in the future. (Cheers.) We will see that any honest man going home from the fair with the price of his beast in his pocket is allowed to go home with it to his wife and family."

He asked the electors to show that they appreciated the right to live decently and unterrorised by casting their votes as honest men and women must cast them. If they failed to exercise their rights under the Constitution they would not deserve freedom.

Mr. Nichols said that the snatched victory that was got by personation at the last election was going to be reversed this time.

Direct Labour Scheme.—Thomastown (Co. Kilkenny) Council has approved of the scheme for the repair by direct labour of 30 miles of trunk roads at an estimated annual cost of £1,150; 53 miles of main roads at £1,865, and 159 miles of district roads at £2,894. At the last meeting of the Council a Labour member strongly objected to a recommendation that 630 perches of the road between Kilfane and Crosscragg should be maintained by direct labour, on the ground that the present contractor did his work well. The Council decided to advertise the road for contract.

CAVAN.

RIGHTS UNDER THE TREATY.

MINISTER AND BRITISH GOVERNMENT.

FAIR PLAY AT ALL STAGES.

CANDIDATES.
Cumann na nGaedheal: **J. J. O'Reilly.**
Republican: **Philip Baxter.**
Farmers' Party: **John F. O'Hanlon.**

From Our Special Correspondent.

COOTEHILL, Sunday.

Speaking at a largely-attended meeting in St. Michael's Hall, Cootehill, in favour of the Cumann na nGaedheal candidate, Dr. J. J. O'Reilly,

Mr. Ernest Blythe, Free State Minister of Finance, said that, although they had a good candidate, the electors should not be led into a sense of false security. Support of the Government did not mean that the candidate must not criticise the Government. It meant that he would see that the Government carried out the will of the people. Their policy was to put down the gun bully, so that people might go to the ballot box and turn the Government out if necessary. Their duty was to do the thing which was not only approved by the people, but was best for the country. He did not claim that they had not made mistakes; but they had made no mistakes through negligence, laziness, or pride. They had only about a year and a half during which they could attend to the ordinary affairs of Government. Up to that time they were engaged in a war vindicating the right of the people to make laws, to decide the destinies of the country. This was a poor country, and forty or fifty million pounds could not be blown into the air without much suffering. This was due to the wanton damage that had been done. He had heard someone speak about salaries. Five bombs would do more damage than would pay the salaries for the whole Ministry for a year.

During the past year and a half, he added, they had made fairly substantial progress. They had set up a new system of courts, which would be cheap and expeditious. They had passed a Land Act, which, although not everything that the people desired, was much better than the people in the Six Counties were going to get. The Land Commission during the past year had done more than twice the amount of work that the old Land Commission did in the past They had now got up to the stage when the distribution of untenanted land to uneconomic holders, or landless men, would begin. They hoped that the new Land Act would solve a problem which had been one of the greatest sources of trouble in the past.

Having referred to other legislation, Mr. Blythe went on to say that this country was now represented at the League of Nations, and had a representative in Washington, who could go to the President of the United States just the same as the Ambassador of France. The position in Ireland was one of sovereign independence, linked up with the British Commonwealth. They could do anything that they wanted to do for the promotion of national interests.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDE

We have, said Mr. Blythe, a political object ahead. Our political object is not to set up a Republic for the twenty-six counties. We have no desire to change the present Free State into Republic. Our political objective is to unite the whole of Ireland. The work to be done ahead of us is to undo the wrong of partition. We want to carry through in the first instance the Boundary Commission. We stand to get our full rights under the Treaty in regard to the alteration of the boundary, and I have no doubt that ultimately we will get them. There may be no undue enthusiasm about giving them; still I have had no doubt at any time that we will get them.

I would like to say, as I did before, that since the Treaty has been passed, in all our dealings with the British Government we have got fair play, and they have carried out in the letter and the spirit their part of the bond. I believe that it would be a vital mistake for them and the whole Empire to break with us now. I have no reason to believe that they will break faith. Even when the Boundary Commission has done its work that is not at an end. What will remain of the six counties can only be brought into the Free State by being attracted into it by better government and more prosperity. The Free State Government had begun by showing fair play to everyone, and are devoting themselves to the necessary economic measures that would build up the prosperity of the country. (Cheers.)

Dr. O'Reilly, the candidate, said that he was prepared to do as much as he had already done if he thought that they could get a better settlement than the Treaty. Some people did not like the Land Act, but farmers in the Northern counties would like to get something similar. If they failed to elect him or any other Government candidate it would show a want of confidence in the Government. If elected, he would enter the Dail and take the oath which was primarily to the Irish people, and meant that he would do his best for the country.

Mr. D. McCullough said that if they wanted to put the country back to war and untold suffering they would vote for those who called themselves Republicans. It was their duty to stand for ordered and stable government for Ireland by voting for Dr. O'Reilly.

Four other meetings in outlying districts were held after Mass, that at Ballyhaise being addressed by Messrs. Blythe and McCullough.

DUBLIN FLOODED AREA FUND.

ENJOYABLE CONCERT.

The concert arranged by a committee of prominent Dublin citizens to raise funds for the relief of those who suffered in the recent flooding of north-east Dublin was very enjoyable.

Senator Moran, Chairman of the committee, in an interval expressed the thanks of the committee to all who had made the entertainment successful, remarking that all the artists had willingly given their services.

Alderman A. Byrne, T.D., was indefatigable in looking after the comfort of the big audience. At an early hour there was not a vacant seat in the Olympia Theatre, which had been kindly lent for the occasion by the proprietors.

The St. Lawrence O'Toole pipers' band gave inspiring selections, and Mr. Fred Baker and his band provided modern contrast in the latest jazz effects and "melodies." The McNaughtons; Malvina, the dancing violinist; Varney an' Butt, Scholey and Scholey, Hilda Denton, Renée Cherville and her performing ponies; the Sparkling Mosellea, and Betty Le Broche were others from the Gaiety Theatre. From the Queen's Theatre there were Horace Wayne and Daphne Holden, Walter Vedale and Edith Sinclair. Miss Hilda Harris, with pupils of the Grafton School of Dancing, made a charming study of the mind of Grandmama's Day. Others helping in the good work were Billie Leslie and Jimmy O'Dea. The last-named gave a recitation and several songs in his usual clever fashion.

The committee responsible for the concert included Senator J. Moran (Chairman), Lorcan G. Sherlock, LL.D.; Denis Carton, Charles McGloughlin, P. J. Munden, Alderman A. Byrne, T.D.; David Barry, O.B.E.; Charles McConnell, John P. Cuffe, J. H. Walsh, David Frame, H. W. Ede, O.B.E.; J. J. Bradlaw, and Robert Morrison.

NURSES IN SCHOOLS.

A resolution, drawing attention to the importance of having schools' nurses appointed, will be discussed at the annual Council meeting of the Irish Nurses' and Midwives' Union, which is being held this year on February 4th and 5th, at 7 and 8 Eden quay, Dublin. Sir James Craig, T.D., has informed the Union that he considers there should be a nurse in each locality who would look after the school children's health. Representatives of nurses and midwives from all parts of the country will be in attendance at the meeting, when resolutions dealing with public health, salaries and allowances, the necessity for enforcement of the Midwives Act, midwives' uniforms, fees, and the question of benefits for nurses, and of organising will also be discussed. Officers and Executive Committee for the coming year will be elected.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

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CAMPAIGN
CONTINUES
IN THE
METROPOLITAN HALL
UNTIL
WEDNESDAY NIGHT.
SUBJECT TO-NIGHT, 7.30 o'c.:
FALSE RELIGIONS.

MEATH COUNTY CRICKET CLUB.
Take Notice that I, on behalf of above Club, applied for a renewal Licence, under Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Act, 1904, to the District Justice, at Navan District Court, on Wednesday January 28th, 1925.
M. J. SULLIVAN, Hon. Sec to Club.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

DAIL EIREANN LOAN (INTERNAL), 1919-20.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

The Minister for Finance hereby notifies Subscribers to the First Dail Loan (Internal), floated during the years 1919 and 1920, and closed on the 17th day of July, 1920, that a Register of Subscribers is being prepared in accordance with Section 4 of the Dail Eireann Loans and Funds Act, 1924, which is as follows:—

4—(1) "As soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this Act the Minister shall cause an authentic Register of Subscribers to the Internal Loan to be prepared, and may take such steps as he shall consider to be necessary or proper for that purpose, including prescribing the conditions and evidence upon which any person claiming to be a Subscriber to the Internal Loan may be entered in the Register.

(2) The decision of the Minister as to the claim of any person to be a Subscriber to the Internal Loan or to be entered on the Register of such Subscribers under this Section shall be final."

Any person claiming to have subscribed to the Dail Loan or to be the legal representative of a deceased Subscriber should give notice of his claim, in writing, to the Secretary, Department of Finance, Government Buildings, Dublin, as early as possible, and not later, in any case, than March 31, 1925. Such notice should set out the full name and address of Subscriber and the amount of the subscription, and the envelope should be marked on the top left-hand corner "Dail Loan."

Persons sending notice accordingly will receive in due course either (a) an intimation that the particulars given in the notice appear to correspond with those of an entry already made in the Register, or (b) an intimation to the contrary, accompanied by a form, showing the nature of the evidence required in support of a claim to registration.

For the information of Subscribers to this Loan the Minister for Finance desires to draw attention to Sections 5 (1) and 5 (2) of the Dail Eireann Loans and Funds Act, 1924, which are as follows:—

5—(1) "There shall be issued through the Post Office to every Subscriber to the Internal Loan whose name is entered on the Register of such Subscribers prepared under this Act a Savings Certificate which shall entitle the holder thereof to be paid on the 1st day of June, 1927, the sum of twenty-eight shillings for every pound subscribed by such subscriber.

(2) All regulations for the time being in force in relation to Savings Certificates issued through the Post Office prior to the passing of this Act shall apply to Savings Certificates issued under this Section, save that no part of the amount of a Savings Certificate issued under this Section shall be payable before the 1st day of June, 1927, and that the consent of the Postmaster-General shall not be necessary to an assignment of any such Savings Certificate."

After the particulars required under this Notice have been furnished all persons entered on the Register of Subscribers will receive Savings Certificates in due course without further application on their part.

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GOVERNMENT OF NORTHERN IRELAND.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

NOTICE.

An Examination for situations of MALE CLERK in Departments of the Civil Service of Northern Ireland will be held in BELFAST, commencing on Tuesday, the 21st April, 1925. The Entrance Fee for the Examination will be £1 (one pound).

Only natural-born British subjects who are the sons of farmers also natural-born British subjects are eligible to compete, and candidates must not be under 17 years of age on the 31st March, 1925, nor have attained the age of 19 on or before that date.

No person will be admitted to the Examination from whom the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, has not received on or before the 31st March, 1925, an application on the prescribed form bearing a stamp or stamps to the value of the prescribed fee. A form of application, together with particulars of the appointments, copies of the Regulations, and Syllabus of the Examination, can be obtained on application either personally or in writing to the Secretary, Civil Service Commission for Northern Ireland (Room 24), 15 Donegall square, West, Belfast.

The candidates who are adjudged to have qualified in the examination will be required to attend, at their own expense, for a personal interview before a Selection Board. The Selection Board will recommend for appointment to the vacancies to be filled such of the candidates as are considered most suitable, but the qualifying examination will not, in itself, confer any right or title to an appointment.

Candidates who are recommended by the Selection Board for appointment will be required to furnish satisfactory evidence respecting age, physical fitness and character.

Civil Service Commission for Northern Ireland, 15 Donegall square, West, Belfast, January, 1925.

IRISH NURSES' AND MIDWIVES' UNION.
ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING
WILL BE HELD IN
7 & 8 EDEN QUAY, DUBLIN,
On WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY NEXT, FEBRUARY 4th and 5th,
Commencing 3 p.m. February 4th.
Dr. T. R. HENNESSY will speak on the subject of School Nurses.
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

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Candidates must be between the ages of 25 and 35, and must possess a training and practical experience in the butter trade, with a knowledge of the egg trade.
The qualifications of candidates will be reviewed by a Selection Board appointed by the Civil Service Commissioners. Preference will be given to duly qualified ex-National Army candidates.
The post is a whole-time post, carrying pension rights, and is subject to one year's probation before the appointment is confirmed.
Further particulars and Forms of Application to be obtained from Department of External Affairs, Dublin. Latest date for applying, 16th February, 1925.
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Mark of Distinction in Religious Knowledge and English. Pass in Roman History, Latin, Arithmetic and Drawing.

ALICIA CRESSWELL, Pass Certificate.
Pass in English, French, Spoken French, Drawing, and qualified in Mathematical group.

JUNIOR.

MARGERY ALMENT, Pass Certificate.
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MAY PIM, Pass Certificate.
Pass in Arithmetic, English Composition and Literature, Geography, Latin, French, Spoken French, and Algebra.

PHYLLIS DARLEY, Pass Certificate.
Pass in Arithmetic, Religious Knowledge, English Composition and Literature, Geography, Latin, French and Spoken French.

BARBARA SCOTT, Pass Certificate.
Pass in Arithmetic, Religious Knowledge, English Composition and Literature, Geography, French and Spoken French.

AMABEL BLACKBURNE, Pass Certificate.
Pass in Arithmetic, Old Testament, English Composition, Literature and Grammar, Geography, French and Memory Drawing.

EMILY LISNEY, Pass Certificate.
Pass in Arithmetic, Old Testament, English Composition, Literature and Grammar, Geography and French.

MAY DARLINGTON, Pass Certificate.
Pass in Arithmetic, Old Testament, English Literature and Grammar, Geography, Botany, Model and Memory Drawing.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

The following is the order of Advertisements in to-day's *Irish Times*:—

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TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Cinderella," 7.30 p.m.
Theatre Royal—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Fun on an Ocean Liner," 7 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—Dublin Drama League, "The School of Princesses," 8.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Brighter Nights," 6.50 and 9.
Tivoli Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"Zeebrugge," 4, 6.30 and 9.
Grafton—"Daring Youth" and "The Love Master."
The Carlton—"Foolish Wives."
Sackville Picture House—"Man and His Gods."
Grand Central—"Miriam Royella: Was She Innocent?"
Corinthian—"America," 1.30, 3.45, 6 and 8.30.
Princess, Rathmines—"The Cheat."
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"Lucretia Lombard," 3.40, 6.15 and 8.55 p.m.
Exhibition of Pictures, Mills Hall, Merrion row.
R.D.S. Recital, Theatre Royal, 4 p.m.
Institution of Civil Engineers, 35 Dawson street, 8.
Dublin Circuit Court, 11 a.m.
Rotary Club Luncheon, Clery's, 1 p.m.
Industrial Conference, 40 Upper O'Connell street, 7.30 p.m.
Lecture, University College, 8 p.m.

WHY MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD FAILED.

MRS. SNOWDEN EXPLAINS A SPEECH.

TORONTO, Sunday.

Mrs. Philip Snowden, addressing a joint luncheon party of the Canadian and Empire Clubs, declared that her remarks regarding Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, had been distorted by their only partial publication. While she held that the former Premier was partly responsible for the downfall of his Administration owing to several "stupid and tiresome mistakes," she proceeded to condone his shortcomings on the ground of ill-health, declaring that the burden imposed on him would have "undermined the constitution of an ox."

In conclusion, Mrs. Snowden paid a tribute to Mr. Macdonald's admitted service to the Empire and the Labour Party.—(Reuter.)

The Irish Times.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1925.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

Archbishop O'Donnell, replying to an address of welcome which was presented to him in Armagh last night, expressed the belief that the salve for Ireland's wounds was the promotion of a feeling of good-will among all sections of the people North and South. He pleaded for the protection of the minorities within the territories of the two Governments in Ireland.—(Page 7.)

In the course of a speech at Cootehill yesterday, Mr. Ernest Blythe, Free State Minister for Finance, said that since the Treaty had been passed they had got fair play in all their dealings with the British Government, who had carried out in the letter and the spirit their part of the bond.—(Page 5.)

Speaking at a Republican election meeting in Ballaghaderreen yesterday, Mr. de Valera said that they would have no peace without freedom and no prosperity without independence, and that if they had sufficient courage they would win.—(Page 5.)

The Dublin City Commissioners propose to advertise for contracts for the completion in one year of one thousand houses, involving a capital expenditure of £500,000.—(Page 3.)

Four persons were killed and nine injured in an accident on the Letterkenny and Burtonport Extension Railway on Friday night last. The gale lifted two coaches from the rails and flung them on the parapet of a viaduct, the passengers being thrown some forty feet into the valley below.—(Page 7.)

The Cumann na nGaedheal Party's campaign was opened yesterday in the seven constituencies where by-elections are pending.—(Pages 5 and 7.)

SPORTING.

At Leopardstown on Saturday Explanation won the Paddock Plate, Pullman the January Plate, Parkaneska the Glencairn Steeplechase, Treble Applause the Foxrock Steeplechase, and Jerpoint the Dundrum Flat Race.—(Page 10.)

At Kempton Park on Saturday Clashing Arms won the Cranford Handicap Steeplechase.—(Page 10.)

FINANCIAL.

There was extreme pressure for loans in London Money Market on Saturday, and rates ranged from 3¾ to 4¼ per cent. A small sum had to be borrowed from the Bank. Discounts were nominal and exchanges very quiet.—(Page 11.)

The Free State Elections.

There is no country in the world, except the Irish Free State, where public ignorance or thoughtlessness compels political leaders to spend time in the flogging of long-dead horses. Yesterday busy Ministers were summoned to the aid of the Government Party's candidates in the most preposterous and most unnecessary election campaign of modern times. Mr. de Valera asks votes for a policy of chaos. The so-called "National Group" resigned from the *Dail* for no adequate reason and has no policy at all. Yet the Government, which has a substantial record of good work to its credit and is, in any case, the only possible Government, cannot afford to take these challenges lightly and, indeed, may lose some seats as a result of the elections. The chief cause of this strange situation is the apathy of public opinion, and, while there are some explanations of this apathy, including high taxation and depression of trade, there can be no excuse for it. The Free State Government might have done better, but, in all the circumstances, it has done well. Against Mr. de Valera's policy of chaos it can set an established State, the restoration of order, financial conditions that are tending surely, if slowly, towards stability, an honest and not wholly unaccomplished programme of industrial development and social reform. It is a public scandal that President Cosgrave, Mr. O'Higgins and other Ministers should be compelled, at this stage, to rehearse the arguments for progress as against anarchy. The necessity is an appalling indictment of our system of national education.

It was said once of a great Irish judge, by a dissenting colleague on the bench, that he had "one foot in the nineteenth century and the other on the banks of the Boyne." The description was not only unjust, but puzzling: it seemed to confuse the properties of space and time. We are reminded of it by Mr. Mulcahy's curious assault upon this newspaper in his speech yesterday at Mr. Cosgrave's meeting. Having laid to our account some things which we have written, and others that we never wrote, he described us as the advocates of an "occult policy." We are sure that Mr. Mulcahy does not "talk through his hat," in the vulgar phrase; but we suspect that on this occasion he was talking through his dreams of Brian Boru and Sitric the Dane. Our attitude to national politics may be wise or foolish, but certainly it is not occult. We have accepted the Anglo-Irish Treaty. We are anxious that the Free State shall get the utmost advantage from its new partnership in the Commonwealth of British Nations and, especially, from its economic ties with the sister island whose markets absorb ninety-five *per cent.* of our exports. Speaking for the ex-Unionist citizens of the Free State, we have said that their fortunes are bound in this country's fortunes, that they are resolved to put all their resources, energy and experience into its tasks of progress, and that they claim the place in the Free State's public life to which their gifts and services entitle them. There is not a particle of occultism in this *credo*. Unlike the "National Group's" policy, it is clear and concrete; and, unlike Mr. de Valera's policy, it is neither "die-hard" nor fantastic. Mr. Mulcahy may dislike it, but he ought not to call it "out of its name."

It follows, of course, that, while we have criticised the Government often and shall criticise it again, its candidates will have our fullest support at the coming by-elections. Once more we urge all responsible and educated electors to allow no sense of apathy and no public or private grievances to keep them from the polls. The dominating fact of the situation is the need of a secure Government, and we tell ex-Unionist voters, in particular, that in so far as their abstention may weaken Mr. Cosgrave's Government it will inflict a direct and unpardonable injury on the State. In Dublin City the last excuse for indifference has been removed by the choice of three quite satisfactory candidates, whose election will raise the standard of *Dail Eireann's* intelligence and business capacity. The whole professional and commercial community ought to rally to their support. In South Dublin the medical profession will have an opportunity to pay some part of the debt that it owes to Dr. Hennessy, who, after his nomination last Saturday, gave a thoroughly sound and sensible definition of his political views. We repeat, however, that, if victory is to be assured, the Government must make its contribution to the removal of the prevailing apathy. So far as yesterday's speeches are concerned, President Cosgrave's defence of high taxation is likely to cancel Mr. O'Higgins's statement that the present burden ought to be reduced with the utmost speed. The Government ought not to wait until Mr. Blythe's Budget discloses the almost inevitable reductions. An immediate promise of a lower income tax would be more effective than a thousand speeches in bringing Dublin's harassed householders to the polls.

France's Financial Problem.

The efforts which are being made by the business community in France to reach some kind of economic *modus vivendi* with the Germans indicate that the French people at last are beginning to recognise the weakness of their material position. Negotiations have been in progress for some time, and there seemed to be every prospect of a successful issue when the German Government began to see that France was trying to force the pace in order to secure finally the alliance between Ruhr coke and Lorraine iron on which the prosperity of France's heavy industry depends. At that moment Berlin stiffened its terms and the negotiations, while they did not actually collapse, reached a position of stalemate, where, apparently, they remain at present. The Germans are auctioning their fiscal favours to the highest bidder, and, if France is not willing to pay their price—namely, to abolish the twenty-six *per cent.* reparations tax on German imports and to hasten the evacuation of the occupied areas—a tariff war will begin to the great disadvantage of French industry. France has mismanaged herself into an extremely awkward position. Despite her own experience after the war of 1870, she has refused steadfastly since the Armistice to face plain facts. She imposed a huge indemnity on Germany. Nobody denies her right to take this step, and, if her statesmen had acted wisely, all might have been well; but they took the opposite course. They insisted, on the one hand, that Germany must pay her indemnity, and refused, on the other, to allow German imports to enter France without a heavy tax. The natural result was that France got next to nothing; for the only way in which an indemnity can be paid by one country to another, when there is no bullion to transfer, is by the unreciprocated export of goods and services from the debtor to the creditor. France tried to accomplish the impossible, with the inevitable result that to-day her finances are at sixes and sevens and her whole economy is out of gear. The Dawes scheme, if it is given a chance, will remedy this condition of affairs to a certain extent, but a tariff war between France and Germany would ruin everything. Such a calamity must be avoided at all costs, and every day the need for a triangular trade agreement between France, Germany and Great Britain is becoming more evident. After all, the interests of Europe as a whole must be considered. A selfish trade policy paralysed Central Europe, where a number of small States had been indulging in an orgy of fiscal reprisals against one another, and only when the Little *Entente* decided that co-operation was its only hope did matters begin to improve. France, Germany and Britain can wage economic war against one another in the same way, in which event Europe's doom will be sealed. The wiser way is to take example from the little States and to arrange their economic relations in such a manner as not only to ensure the success of the Dawes scheme, but also to establish a measure of international co-operation in Europe.

The Burtonport Accident.

All Ireland has been grieved deeply by the news of the terrible railway accident in Donegal. Last Friday night, while the train from Letterkenny to Burtonport was crossing a viaduct near Creeslough, a sudden gust of wind blew several carriages off the line, and some of them were hurled over the parapet of the bridge into the valley forty feet below. Four people—two men and two women—were killed, and nine were injured, more or less seriously. The sadness of the accident is intensified by the fact that nearly all the passengers on the doomed train were very poor people, inhabitants of that Irish-speaking district which stretches bleakly from Burtonport to Kilmacrennan; and some of them were returning from Scotland, where they had earned a few pounds. No blame can be attached to anybody. The accident was one of those inscrutable acts of Providence which make naught of human precautions and serve as a constant reminder of man's impotence against elemental force. We have become strangely inured to the loss of human life in Ireland, where violence between man and man has become a commonplace of recent years; but there is something awe-inspiring in an accident like that which hurled four souls into eternity on Friday night. Brave deeds of rescue are reported from the desolate scene, and it is to be hoped that they will receive due recognition from the proper authorities. The people of Donegal have suffered much during the last few months through the privation that has followed a bad harvest, and the sympathy of the whole Irish nation will be with them in their latest trial. Fortunately, railway accidents are rare in this country, and we are sure that everything possible will be done by the management of the Lough Swilly line to guard against a recurrence of such a terrible mishap.

Trees and Climate.

The uprooting of a little wood of conifers by the recent gales in England has provided the Meteorological Office with new evidence concerning the influence of trees on climate. By some obscure process which baffles the layman it has been discovered that, contrary to the common belief, trees do not help to increase rainfall. They conserve rather than promote moisture, and in their proper place are the best allies of the farmer in his perennial struggle against the elements. Ireland is one of the few countries in Europe which do not appreciate the value of their trees. There was a time when our island was wooded in profusion; but the hand of the vandal has been at work, and to-day denuded hills and patchy forests tell of speculators who have acquired estates

"... garnished with trees that a man might cut down
Instead of his own expenses."

The reafforestation of Ireland is an urgent necessity, and steps ought to be taken immediately to prevent the ruin of our great plantations. Here and there throughout the country isolated farmers are planting new trees; but in the vast majority of cases nothing is being done to replace the ravages of the ruthless axe. The man who mutilates a forest sins against the nation just as sorely as the person who puts a torch to an ancient Irish home. The "green-robed senators of mighty woods" are no mere ornament. They have a very definite effect on the country's climate as well as on its soil. They constitute a national asset of the first importance, and their conservation ought to be one of the Free State Government's earliest cares.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

Prince Henry spent the week-end at York Cottage with the King and Queen, who will return to London to-morrow and will be in residence at Buckingham Palace for some time. On Saturday last Prince Henry, acting for Prince George, who is suffering from tonsilitis, laid the foundation stone of the new addition to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital.

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Princess Louise Duchess of Argyll is suffering from a cold and was unable to attend the reception arranged by the Dowager Countess of Limerick and Lady Florence Pery at 40 Queen's Gate Gardens, London, when Lord Balfour of Burleigh and the Mayor of Kensington advocated the scheme for removing the Children's Hospital and Dispensary from Church street to a more convenient site. Princess Louise is a warm supporter of the hospital, which bears her name, and has contributed £1,000 to the removal fund.

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Lord George Hamilton, who has been very ill, is progressing slowly towards recovery. Lady George Hamilton is laid up with a severe attack of influenza, and is quite unable to attend to correspondence at present. Sir Evelyn Cecil, M.P., has been suffering from pleurisy and influenza for some time, and, though better, cannot fulfil any engagements. Madame Clara Butt is in a nursing home in Leeds, where she has undergone a slight operation.

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Among last week's departures from London were the Earl and Countess of Macclesfield and Viscount Trematon for South Africa; Viscount and Viscountess Gladstone for the Riviera; Lady Kilmarnock and Miss Ethel Logan for Kenya Colony; Major-General Sir John Burnet-Stewart for Gibraltar and Sir Edward and Lady Cook for Bangkok. Other departures include Florence Lady Nunburnholme, Sir Frederick and Lady Hervey-Bathurst, Sir Robert McAlpine, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir James Reynolds and Sir Davison Dalziel, M.P.

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The Countess of Shaftesbury has left Chandos House for Saighton Grange, where she will spend some time with her mother, Countess Grosvenor. Her son and daughter, Lord Ashley and Lady Mary Ashley, were among the Earl and Countess of Ancaster's guests at Grimsthorpe Castle last week for the Cottesmore Hunt ball. Lady Dorothea Ashley has accompanied her father, the Earl of Shaftesbury, on a trip to Rome. Earl Beauchamp and his daughters, Lady Sibell and Lady Mary Lygon, are expected back from Italy to-day, and will join Countess Beauchamp at Madresfield Court, Malvern Link. The Countess of Onslow and Lady Mary Onslow have left London for the Scilly Isles. The Earl of Lonsdale has left Barleythorpe Castle for London, where he will remain for the opening of Parliament.

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Crowds of people are arriving at Cannes, where the polo season has just started. On the opening day there was a fine match, and the winning team included Mr. W. Balding and his son, a brilliant young player, who scored three of the four goals recorded. Among the Irish visitors now at Cannes are Lady Dunsany, Vice-Admiral E. Barton, Colonel Head, Colonel and Mrs. Bunbury, Colonel James Day, Major Cliffe Vigors, Major, Mrs. and Miss French, Major and Mrs. Armstrong, Captain and Mrs. O'Neill, Miss M. Blake, Mr., Mrs. and Miss O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan, Mr. Gerald and Miss Hardy, Mr. C. Hardy, Mrs. St. John Ervine, Captain Michael Murphy, Mr. Peter Carden, Mrs. Faulkiner, Mr. and Miss Redmond, Mrs. Crosbie, Mr. W. A. Gill, Mrs. Beamish, Mrs. Roche, Mrs. McCullock and Mr. R. Hawkesley.

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The Countess of Donoughmore will be one of the hostesses who will entertain in London this month, and will give a dance for her daughter, Lady Doreen Hely-Hutchinson, on February 19th at 5 Chesterfield Gardens. Lady Evelyn Guinness's reception to meet the Prime Minister will be held next Monday night at 10 Grosvenor place, when a large number of Conservative peers and members of Parliament are expected to be present.

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Dr. J. E. Deale has changed his residence to 67 Fitzwilliam square.

Switzers are offering an attractive line of Ladies' Art Silk Scarves in various colourings. Priced specially low, 6s. 11d. each.

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Other Arrivals and Departures will be found in "Dublin and the Provinces."

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600,000 MOTORS IN CANADA.

OTTAWA, Sunday.

Automobiles registered in Canada in 1924 are estimated to number 621,468, an increase of 370,083 over 1923.

Of the provinces Ontario leads with 297,800 cars, whilst Quebec had 77,748; Saskatchewan, 67,056; British Columbia, 51,200; Alberta, 43,044; Manitoba, 42,000; Nova Scotia, 20,441; New Brunswick, 19,558; Prince Edward Island, 2,525; and the Yukon 96.—(Reuter.)

LONDON LETTER.

THE ELECTRICIANS' STRIKE.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON, SUNDAY NIGHT.

The efforts of Lord Peel, the First Commissioner of Works, to put an end to what is described as the "Buckingham Palace" strike have been unavailing, though it is thought that there may be a chance of a solution to the difficulty being reached to-morrow, when there is to be another meeting with the representatives of the unions concerned. The Electrical Trades Union, however, are in a bellicose mood, and to-day London is threatened with the closing-down of its tubes, the stoppage of the trams and a plunge into darkness. All this is to happen unless a minor dispute on the Metropolitan Railway is settled by Wednesday afternoon. The railway is so impressed by the threat that it is making arrangements to meet any emergency caused by the absence of the three hundred workers who are affected.

The Ministry of Health.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain knew that, when he selected the Ministry of Health for his post in the Government, he would not find a bed of roses, and the prospect is that during the coming session he will find it a bed of nettles. He is doing his utmost with the materials at his command, but his efforts are being thwarted on every side by those who know best how necessary houses are for the working classes. The building trade unions seemed determined to stop any houses being built with the exeption of those which they build themselves, and, if steel and cement houses are to be erected in any quantity, Mr. Chamberlain will have to take some very decided steps. It is probable that attacks will be made upon the Ministry by both the Socialists and the Liberals immediately after the opening of the session, and Mr. Chamberlain will be given an opportunity of making the situation clear.

Summer Time.

There has been much discussion in Government circles lately concerning the incidence of "Summer Time," and it is understood that the period will be extended permanently. A Government Bill, in all probability, will be introduced early in the session, fixing "Summer Time" from the first Sunday in April to the first Sunday in October every year, and an effort will be made to get it passed through both Houses in time for the summer which is expected this year. Hitherto there has had to be a new Bill every session.

Singapore.

Incorrect conclusions are being drawn in some quarters as to the conference which is to be held at Singapore next month between the Admirals commanding the China, East Indies and Australian Squadrons. The meeting is entirely unconnected with any new development concerning the construction of the Singapore naval base. As long ago as last summer the Australian Government expressed a desire for closer naval association between the Commonwealth forces and the British Navy, and February, 1925, was chosen as the most suitable time, with Singapore as the most convenient venue. If the original plans are carried out, the Australian Squadron will combine with the vessels on the China and East Indies Stations for manœuvres prior to the meeting of the Admirals.

Diplomatic Changes.

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A motion in the above terms will be moved by President Cosgrave in the Dail on Wednesday. If passed, it will mean that divorce in the Free State will be absolutely impossible.

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THE CASE OF CANADA.

An obvious analogy was Canada, where divorce comes within the exclusive authority of the Federal Parliament of the Dominion. It seemed, therefore, that, unless special legislation were introduced to meet the difficulty, the marriage of a domiciled subject of the Free State could be dissolved only by a legislative Act of the Free State Parliament.

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THE GOVERNMENT VIEW.

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NEW ZEALAND'S LEAD.

LONDON AGENCY TO CONTROL DAIRY PRODUCE.

WELLINGTON, Sunday.

The New Zealand Dairy Produce Export Control Board has decided to establish an agency of its own in London. The measure of control is to be defined later.

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DUBLIN TOWN-PLANNING SCHEME.

BOOM IN HOUSE-BUILDING.

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THE ADDRESS.

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Mr. Arthur Webb, Secretary of the Presentation Committee, then read the address to his Grace tendering him profound homage and veneration, and extending to him a most cordial welcome to their city and parish. They rejoiced with him in his elevation to the exalted office which he occupied, expressed their admiration for his magnificent work for God and for Ireland, and the hope that his Grace might be the means by which the blessings of peace, unity and charity might be restored to the country.

PRIMATE'S REPLY.

His Grace, having expressed his gratitude for the warmth of their welcome, said:—I come to you, not in the bloom of manhood, to say nothing of the wild freshness of morning, but at a stage when my day turns towards evening, and my episcopate is already long drawn out. However, in this Irish climate of ours on a harvest day hard work is sometimes done in the evening, even when it is pretty late, and with God's blessing, so long as He gives me life, I shall not spare myself in your midst. It is three years since I have been associated with the Archdiocese as Coadjutor to His Eminence. During that time it was a pleasure for me to do anything in my power to lighten the burthens which he bore so long and so well. For half the period I have been resident in Dundalk, and both there and in every parish of the diocese I have received nothing but kindness from the priests and the people alike. I may also say that such relations as I have had with the members of other religious denominations have been altogether pleasant.

Having made a brief reference to the history of Armagh and its ecclesiastical State, His Grace continued:—And now I turn to the grave matters of public import to which you allude in the concluding portion of your address, where your generosity overflows to me. The picture you draw of the state of our country is a very sad one, and it is no pleasure, I know, but the reverse, for you to paint it in these sombre colours. For us all the question is what each one can do according to his opportunity to apply a remedy. That there is a remedy if we will only employ it, no one who trusts in God and knows the Irish people can doubt. (Applause.) The love of Ireland is not the perquisite of any one section of Irishmen. (Applause.) It is a universal possession among them. (Applause.) By Ireland I mean the people even more than the island. The grey headlands, the mist upon the mountains, the sunshine on the hills, the fairy dell, and the linnet on the bushes touch the chords of all out hearts with their enthralling spell. But Ireland in the natural order, above everything else, is the Irish race, and particularly the people of Ireland, one and all, no matter when the forefathers of any of them gained the sod.

POLITICAL STRIFE.

Deplorable deeds have been done very often through party or sectarian strife, through drink or through ignorance, and yet there is not a section of the population, from Antrim to Cork, that has not its many good qualities, and that is not kind at heart. That is the belief of everyone who really knows the people, and the conclusion from that experience is that goodwill should flourish on all sides no matter how keen the political controversy may be, North or South. The salve for the wounds of Ireland is to make good-will active and mutual everywhere. It is a duty to God and to man and to our country to do so. Nourishing strife is a poor occupation for a gifted race. It embitters, it corrodes, it poisons the finest natures and leads to national nothingness. Whether we are a majority or a minority or an equality, good-will, active good-will, is always a duty.

It is in the public interest that differences of opinion on important questions should be freely expressed. Difference of view is one thing, good-will another, and beyond political difference. Where men suffer a palpable wrong no one need wonder if they speak out, and speak out strongly, and organise for its redress. To guard against such wrong, Governments have a special obligation to protect the rights of minorities within their borders. (Applause.) That obligation holds in respect of the sparse minority in the twenty-six counties; it holds similarly in respect of the large minority in the six counties. It is the duty of the Government in both parts of the country to see that the minority has fair play in education, in local government, in public life.

THE RIGHTS OF MINORITIES.

There are two obvious ways of giving minorities the representation to which they are entitled. The one is by forming electoral areas to effect this purpose. The other is by proportional representation. I was through much of the great County Tyrone on visitation, and everywhere the complaint was loud that the Catholic representation had been destroyed by the re-arrangement of electoral areas and by the abolition of proportional representation in local government elections. That does not make for lasting peace. It is the very reverse of what we are entitled to expect. There is a town, for instance, where the Catholics are about five out of twelve in the urban area. Under proportional representation they had five out of twelve town councillors. Proportional representation was abolished, and they now have none of the twelve. For the general good public men should vie with one another in remedying such inequalities, no matter to what party they belong. Statesmanship and public spirit should not wait for pressure, either inside or outside Parliament to do that. (Applause.) We need good-will everywhere. (Applause.)

In the wise ways of Providence it happens that this is a poor year along the coast from Donegal to Kerry. Its stringency is felt all over the country. This is also the Holy Year, and for both reasons it is a time when bitterness should be banished from public life and the charity of Christ remembered in political differences. Let good-will reign North and South, and between them both, and we shall build well for progress and for freedom on the only sure foundation—we shall build well for time and for eternity. (Applause.)

At the conclusion of his Grace's reply the entire assemblage knelt to receive his blessing.

At his Grace's express wish a handsome cheque was handed to Mr. Michael Donnelly, President of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, by the Presentation Committee.

ARCHBISHOP'S GIFT FOR DUBLIN POOR.

His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Byrne, Archbishop of Dublin, has sent £100 to the Council for Dublin of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul towards the relief of the present great distress prevailing amongst the poor families visited by them in Dublin.

THE BY-ELECTIONS.

MINISTERS' BUSY DAY IN THE CONSTITUENCIES.

GOVERNMENT'S RECORD.

Yesterday the Cumann na nGaedheal campaign in the seven constituencies where by-elections are pending was opened in earnest. No fewer than twenty meetings were held, and the speakers included every member of the Executive Council, except Dr. MacNeill and Mr. McGilligan, who are out of the country.

The by-elections have been forced by the resignations of Mr. Joseph McGrath and his eight colleagues of the "National Group" from the Dail. So far no member of that group has signified his intention of seeking re-election. There are nine Cumann na nGaedheal candidates, eight Republicans, two nominees of the Labour Party and one representative of the Farmers' Union in the field. As, however, the day for nominations has not yet been fixed, other candidates may come forward.

At some of the meetings there was a noticeable absence of enthusiasm, and it is obvious that the campaign must be intensified before all the seats can be regarded as secure for the Government.

The speeches revealed nothing that was new. President Cosgrave was the chief speaker at a meeting in College Green, Dublin, and he made a powerful appeal for the return of his party's candidates. He dealt particularly with what the Government has done to meet the housing problem and the measures that have has taken to foster trade. The meeting was attended by a band of hecklers, who interrupted most of the speakers.

Mr. O'Higgins, at Carlow, made a vigorous attack on the Republicans. There were some subjects, he said, about which Mr. de Valera would remain silent if he had either a sense of shame or a sense of humour. What right, he asked, had the man who gave the signal for forty million pounds' worth of destruction to make party capital out of high taxes and trade depression?

The Government, Mr. O'Higgins said, was content to be judged on its record. It had brought order out of chaos, and had established the machinery of an ordered State. It had passed legislation to complete land purchase, and had introduced measures that would enable the farmers to compete successfully with their Continental competitors. Moreover, it had taken steps to develop the beet sugar industry and the water power of the Shannon.

The speeches are reported fully on Page 5.

1s. LOAF IN DUBLIN.

The price of bread in Dublin is to be raised to-day to 6d. per 2lb. loaf (1s. for the 4lb. loaf), delivered.

LABOUR, CAPITAL AND PROSPERITY.

VIEWS OF MR. J. M. ANDREWS.

The Right Hon. J. M. Andrews, D.L., Minister of Labour for Northern Ireland, addressed the Ulster Unionist Labour Association, of which he is Chairman, on Saturday night. He said that theirs was the strongest Labour Association in the six counties. They had eight representatives in the Northern Parliament—four of them in the Government and three in the Senate. They had thriving and active branches in many provincial towns, and their aims and principles were held by the vast majority of Ulster loyalists of all classes. They stood for the inseparable union of Ulster with Great Britain. They desired to see their Northern Parliament established on British lines, and on a foundation which would endure for all time.

They looked on Capital and Labour as a partnership. There was no short cut to prosperity. It was only by putting a good article on the world market at a reasonable price, by Capital and Labour working together for the good of each other and the community, that Ulster could be prosperous. He had been in London during the week with reference to the unemployment fund. Nothing definite had been settled, but he felt sure that the Imperial Government would approach the matter at an early date with a view to sympathetic and just treatment. They in the North of Ireland asked nothing more.

Lord Carson and Mr. Andrews were re-elected President and Chairman of the Association; Mr. William Grant, M.P., Vice-Chairman; Mr. John Gordon, M.P., and Mr. Henry Fleming, Joint Secretaries; Mr. J. A. Turkington, Hon. Treasurer, and Mr. A. Hungerford, Secretary.

DISTRESS IN THE WEST.

FUND OPENED IN LONDON.

"The Save the Children Fund" has opened the Fund for the children in the affected areas in the West of Ireland, and subscriptions amounting to about £300 have been received. The office of the Fund is 26 Gordon street, London, W.C., and arrangements have been made for the despatch of clothing and other necessaries immediately to the threatened districts.

BRITISH AGRICULTURE.

MR. HENDERSON CRITICISES THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, addressing a Labour demonstration at Braintree, Essex, last Saturday, said that the Minister for Agriculture made a speech the other day in which one looked in vain for any pronouncement of a policy for Britain's greatest national industry.

This was rather remarkable, having regard to the admitted plight of agriculture, and because the Conservative Party had always prided itself upon being in a special sense the protector and saviour of this great industry—in fact, the Government policy on its agriculture side was more than usually nebulous.

The Labour Party desired to see an agricultural community utilising to the full new knowledge and new methods, and adapting itself to the new circumstances of to-day, and becoming second to none in its desire to serve the public good and distribute the result of its labours equitably among all who laboured in the industry. The Labour Party was the only party sufficiently free and untrammelled by vested interests to make the necessary changes.

FATAL TENEMENT FIRE.

SIX PERSONS BURNED TO DEATH IN CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Sunday.

Six persons were burned to death in a fire in a tenement building here yesterday morning. A score of persons were rescued from the building. A number of students of the University and well-known people took part in the rescue work.—(Reuter.)

"BEST DRESSED WOMAN"

MARRIED TO NEPHEW OF KING FUAD

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FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CAIRO, Sunday.

Mrs. Jean Nash, who is known as the "world's best dressed woman," was married this afternoon to Mohammed Sabit Bey, a nephew of King Fuad.

Mrs. Nash arrived in Cairo from Paris only a fortnight ago, when it was announced that she was visiting the Egyptian capital at the invitation of the Prince.

THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE.

OSLO, January 31.

The Norwegian Peace Society has recommended the Nobel Committee of the Storting to award the Nobel Prize to that or those persons who can claim the greatest credit for the Geneva Protocol.—(Reuter.)

RUSSIA WILL PAY HER DEBTS.

DECLARATION BY M. RAKOWSKY.

REPORTS OF SPEECH SUPPRESSED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

RIGA, Sunday.

That Russia is on the verge of recognising her debts and fulfilling all the requirements made by foreign Governments was divulged by M. Rakowsky, the Russian Ambassador in London, in a speech in Moscow.

The official organ, *Pravda*, which printed the speech, was suppressed and all copies of the paper confiscated, according to reports reaching here.

The speech was delivered before the School Teachers' Congress, where M. Rakowsky took the place of Chicherin at the last moment. There were two important points, he said, in Russia's programme for 1925—the recognition of Soviets by all countries, including America, and the obtaining of foreign loans.

M. Rakowsky said that he expected that the American recognition would be obtained by the end of the spring, and they hoped to receive a seven per cent. loan. "It is necessary to pay the debts in order to get American recognition," he is reported to have declared.

SECURITY PACT.

AN INVITATION TO GERMANY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Sunday.

I learn from a reliable Foreign Office source that Germany has been semi-officially informed that she will be invited to join in a security pact conference, to be held probably in May. The invitation, I am informed, will come from England and France jointly.

Herr Hoetsch, the German Ambassador in Paris, has been instructed to discuss details, and if the result is satisfactory, pre-conference negotiations will probably be taken up shortly with other countries.

ATHENS EXCITED

OVER EXPULSION OF THE GREEK PATRIARCH.

ATHENS, Sunday

An imposing mass meeting was held this afternoon at the ruins of Jupiter's Temple to protest against the expulsion of the Patriarch. Crowds subsequently paraded the streets, shouting for revenge. There was a demonstration in front of the British Legation, and special police measures were taken in the vicinity of the Turkish Legation.

The resentment provoked by the Patriarch's expulsion is becoming intensified throughout the country. Associations of professional men, merchants and workmen, the municipalities and religious and lay bodies of all kinds, have passed resolutions of protest, assuring the Government that the entire nation will be with them in demanding satisfaction.

The political parties are unanimous in their view of the situation, and the women's organisations are participating in the popular movement. The Athens University has addressed a protest to all the Universities of countries belonging to the League of Nations.

Meetings were held in the chief provincial towns this afternoon. There is much excitement in military circles. The newspapers, while expressing great indignation, anticipate that the Government will bring the question before a Hague tribunal and the League of Nations.

Whether the Greek representative at Angora is recalled or not will depend on the Turkish reply to the Greek Note.

The general impression gathered in London (says Reuter) seems to be that the matter may be brought before the League of Nations. Inquiries at the Turkish Legation show that, according to their information, the Patriarch left Constantinople on January 30. It is added that his expulsion was in accordance with the decision of the mixed Commission, which declared that the Patriarch was an exchangeable person. It was further pointed out that the mixed Commission was presided over by a neutral, the other members being Turks and Greeks.

DISARMAMENT.

UNITED STATES MAY CALL NEW CONFERENCE.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Sunday.

Diplomatic circles here regard Mr. Kellogg's speech, delivered at the Pilgrims' dinner in London, as a confirmation of the report that President Coolidge intends to call a new disarmament conference as soon as possible.

Mr. Kellogg's address, it is believed, had the previous approval of President Coolidge, and may, therefore, be considered as a forecast of the future policy of the United States.

MELBOURNE TOWN HALL FIRE.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

Early this morning a fire broke out in the Melbourne Town Hall and gutted the Concert Hall. The organ was completely destroyed, together with the paintings of previous mayors. The Hall was recently renovated, and the pitch of the organ altered.

The Lord Mayor has paid a public tribute to the firemen, whose efforts saved the administrative offices when the Town Hall caught fire. The damage is estimated at from £40,000 to £50,000.—(Reuter.)

DEATH OF MR. G. W. CABLE.

The Times New York Correspondent announces that Mr. George Washington Cable, the famous author of stories of old Creole days in New Orleans, died on Saturday at St. Petersburg, Florida, in his 81st year. Although Cable's works are not so well known in this country as they deserve, he had here many faithful admirers, to whom the news of his death will bring a sense of personal loss. His pictures of old Creole life and character are full of a singular poetic beauty. He was the master of a graceful and delicate style, in which his sense of humour, his pathos and his dramatic power found secure expression. He has been accused of an excess of sentiment, and in this respect his work, with its historic sense and its tender, wistful appreciation of the dignified Louisiana of the past, certainly contrasts with some later developments of American fiction.

Sarah Hart, widow, aged 75, was suffocated by an outbreak of fire at her lodgings at Bedworth, Nuneaton, early yesterday morning.

LATE NEWS.

DOMINION POLICY.

GENERAL AGREEMENT NECESSARY.

The Times, in a leading article on a series of articles which it is publishing with regard to co-ordinating British Dominion-policy, says:—The problem is that of achieving a general agreement between six self-governing British nations about their policy towards the rest of the world. The solution is one which can only be reached, no doubt, by degrees and by experiment, but experiment has already gone far enough not only to detect some false starts, but to demonstrate beyond any question the general lines on which progress is possible. Two recent events—which have so far attracted far too little attention—have served to show that the matter is not only of the greatest importance, but of constant and growing urgency. A budget of correspondence with the Dominions issued as a White Paper since Christmas has recorded the deep impression made on the late Government in their first few weeks of office by the absence of any effective means of continuous consultation; and their successors, the present Government, with a far longer tradition of Imperial politics, have still more lately found themselves at a deadlock in their first attempt to achieve a common British attitude towards the Geneva Protocol.

After remarking that the first business is to dispose of the comfortable superficial theory that the problem of common action was settled for all time by the instant and unanimous response of the British Empire to the German challenge ten years ago, and referring to various "incidents" which have occurred in different parts of the world since the armistice, *The Times* proceeds:—The invitation to the Dominions to lend a hand at Chanak was, in reality, the climax of an impossible system. It might have served a quarter of a century back, when the South African War made a beginning of small representative contingents from Australia and Canada, mainly financed by the Mother Country, which in those days bore the burden of war as she carried on her negotiations single-handed. It could serve no longer when once the Dominions had thrown their whole strength into the world war, and had won, moreover, their right to a direct share in shaping the main outlines of British foreign policy. The attitude of the Dominions to the Chanak telegram was, in effect, that nothing less than their whole strength was available supposing that the case for their intervention was proved at all, but that the suggestion of a brigade or so was merely to involve them in a quarrel which was still obscure to their people.

How this change in *status* has come about, what are the special problems in foreign policy which confront the British Empire to-day, whether the existing methods of intermittent conferences and an almost complete absence of personal contact during the interval between them can possibly suffice for dealing with them—these are some of the questions discussed in the succeeding articles of the series. They are questions to which it is never easy to attract popular attention, because they establish a case mainly for using the machinery that exists, rather than for creating anything new.

WAR DEBTS.

It is gathered, says the Political Correspondent of the *Daily Mail*, that the first business to come before Ministers to-morrow will be the approval of a draft reply to the *questionnaire* sent by M. Clementel, the French Finance Minister, to Mr. Winston Churchill, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, asking for a statement of British policy on the repayment of inter-Allied debts. The draft, which is an adaptation to present day European conditions of the principles laid down in the Balfour declaration and Curzon Note—that Britain expects the repayment from Germany and the Allies of sufficient of the sums owing to her to repay her own debt to the United States—was in the hands of Ministers during the week-end.

A PENNY POST.

The Postmaster-General is to meet the representatives of the allied and printing trades on Tuesday to hear their arguments for penny postage. It is not to be expected, says the *Daily Express*, that Sir William Mitchell-Thomson will give a definite answer to the deputation. A department which last year showed a profit of £5,800,000 becomes too closely the special interest of the Chancellor of the Exchequer. As to the wisdom and the necessity of the cut there can hardly be two opinions. Penny postage is common-sense.

PROFESSOR EINSTEIN.

WOMAN WHO WANTED TO ASSASSINATE SCIENTIST.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Saturday.

Accused of illegal entry for the purpose of assassinating Professor Einstein, Germany's famous scientist, Marie Dixon, who on the 13th December was arrested in Paris charged with plotting to kill the Bolshevik Ambassador, M. Krassin, has been placed in the psycopathic ward of the insane asylum this afternoon following her arrest.

Marie Dixon, who is a Russian woman of 40 years of age, was, before her marriage to a well-known writer of fiction and newspaper worker, who is now dead, known as Marie Eugeneiva.

Although she had a revolver when arrested outside the Paris Bolshevik Embassy, she was unarmed when arrested in the corridor of Professor Einstein's residence.

The reason of Mrs. Dixon's threat to kill Professor Einstein was not because he was a Jew, as in all the previous threats upon the scientist's life, which once caused him to flee to Switzerland, but because Mrs. Dixon had an hallucination that the Professor was the Tsar's greatest espionage agent, Azeff, in disguise.

AEROPLANE SCANDAL.

HIGHLY-PLACED RUMANIANS INVOLVED.

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FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BELGRADE, Sunday.

Highly-placed individuals in Rumania are reported to be involved in a scandal concerning the non-delivery of war aeroplanes ordered from England.

In a secret Session of the Rumanian Chamber, the War Minister declared that instead of fully-equipped war 'planes, training machines and other second-rate aircraft had been delivered. The prices budgeted by the War Office were for perfectly equipped military aeroplanes, and the difference in cost, amounting to many thousands of pounds, is said to have found its way into the personal banking accounts of highly-placed individuals in Rumania.

Two Rumanian newspapers, which attempted to publish details of the affairs, were suppressed. Further investigations are proceeding, and it is indicated a political crisis may develop.

A copy of the third edition of that famous county history, Drysdale's "Antiquities of Warwickshire," has been sold for £7 15s. This edition was published in 1765 at 6s. 4d., *plus* binding.

The Crown Princess of Rumania is visiting London so that her eyes can be treated by the specialist who was responsible for the improvement which took place in Viscount Grey's vision a year or two ago.

HUNTING IN IRELAND--III.

THE TRAFFIC IN FOX SKINS.

SUGGESTED REMEDIES.

In preceding articles it has been shown that the destruction of foxes, evidently by "poachers" who sell the skins, is interfering with the sport of fox-hunting all over the South and Midlands of Ireland, and that the value of fox-hunting to the country, through the personal expenditure of hunting people, the upkeep of the Hunts and the "country," and the usefulness to our horse-breeding industry, is such that suggestions for stopping the practice described should receive the careful attention of all citizens of the Free State.

The skins, it appears, are brought to the nearest town, and traders there sell them to dealers, who either travel the towns or advertise. These dealers are connected, as a rule, with London firms, and the skins are put into fur clothes.

SKINS FOR SALE.

Existing game laws are inapplicable for the prevention of "poaching" in the case of foxes, and the best means to take first seems to be to stop the traffic in the skins. The motive for destruction would then have been taken away; for the theory that foxes are killed by farmers, who resent attacks on their poultry, is not supported by opinion in the Hunt "countries." The Hunts have funds from which they compensate farmers for the loss of fowl, and the arrangements in this connection are satisfactory to the local people, who are only anxious to see hunting continued.

Here may be quoted a letter received from a South country Hunt officer:—

"This year, and last, fox skins have been exhibited for sale in tradesmen's windows in at least two of our local towns. . . . I spoke to a local trader the other day, in whose window two skins had recently been displayed. I told him the harm that was being done to the country by the purchase of these skins. He said that they had come from the mountains south of the River Suir, where hunting would be impossible. Of course, he was unable to substantiate this. Anyone taking him a fox skin might tell him that story, whereas the fox might have been killed in the heart of our hunting country—which had, to my knowledge, happened on at least two or three occasions. He then said that it might be done by men whose fowl had been destroyed by the fox, but I told him that all Hunts paid large sums in compensation to people for fowl. . . . In the end he promised that he would buy no more skins."

OFFERS FROM LONDON FIRMS.

This same gentleman went personally to the local newspaper offices and asked them to omit any reference to fox skins in their advertisements for rabbit and other skins. He believes that they will comply with his request. An advertisement offering immediate cash for fox skins sent to a London dealer appears occasionally in some newspapers, but other newspapers have already a rule against the insertion of advertisements relating to the traffic.

From that example the lesson is that something may be done by the personal influence locally of Hunt officers. These gentlemen, apart from their social standing in the neighbourhood, have the handling of funds which are disbursed locally, and their representations must carry weight.

We pass to suggestions by Masters of Hunts who have written on this subject.

Captain M. L. Larkin, D.S.O., Master of the Wexford Hunt, writes as follows:—

"To my mind, the first person to be dealt with is the man who advertises for and buys the fox skin: in most cases a man of foreign extraction, with no consideration for the welfare of Ireland. If these advertisements cease to be published, the local poachers would not find it so easy to dispose of fox skins. These men, I fear, are of a class to whom public opinion makes no difference. I am very glad to know that some move is being made in the matter."

LEGISLATION NECESSARY.

Captain A. S. Godfree, Master of the Island Hunt, writes:—"It is very hard to suggest a remedy for this deplorable state of affairs, and I fear that nothing can be done unless the sale of native fox skins is prohibited by law, which would have to be enforced by the authorities without reference to, or prompting by, the M.F.H., who already has too much responsibility on his hands."

Major Dermot McCalmont, Master of the Kilkenny Hunt:—"The only way in which to check this wholesale and exceedingly foolish destruction of foxes is for legislation to be passed making the sale and capture of fox-skins illegal in the Free State. Such legislation would in no way prevent farmers from destroying a fox who was causing damage to his property, should he wish to do so. On the other hand, it would quickly stop poachers and other thoughtless people from digging out and killing a fox merely in order to sell his skin for a few shillings in the nearest town."

SIX POINTS.

Colonel D. Seckham, Honorary Secretary of the United H.C., an old-established Hunt in County Cork, sends us a thoughtful letter on this subject. He says:—

"Undoubtedly the best ways to prevent these unhealthy practices are:—

(1) Popular opinion;
(2) A combine of all sportswomen not to wear fox furs;
(3) An appeal from the Master of Foxhounds Association to all furriers not to advertise for fox skins in the interests of sport;
(4) A request from the same authority to editors of newspapers not to accept advertisements of furriers asking for fox pelts;
(5) Propaganda showing the effect on the country of the stoppage of hunting;
(6) Legislation as to the rules of trapping and snaring. (Snares can, I believe, be set in such a way by knotting that foxes cannot be caught by them.")

With reference to Colonel Seckham's suggestion as to propaganda, it is learned that a suggestion was put forward to the Masters of Foxhounds Association last year that sums should be collected from the Hunts for the purpose of financing an advertising campaign, but at the time the suggestion was not taken up.

SENATE COULD HELP.

If legislation is found to be required, the bill might well be introduced in the Senate, where as yet little legislation has been initiated. The Senate would be well qualified to put the measure into good shape; but, since any law dealing with the matter would require to be administered by Government authorities, the co-operation of the Government in regard to the proposals would be necessary, and the bill would have to be introduced as a Government measure.

In the meantime, however, it is evident that a great deal can be accomplished without legislation by the concentration of public opinion against the traffic, so that no trader who fears condemnation by his neighbours will dare to act as a receiver of the skins, and

FREE STATE BY-ELECTION CANDIDATES.

Constituencies and Late Members.	Cumann na nGaedheal.	Republican.	Labour and Farmers.
NORTH DUBLIN (2) (Sean M'Garry and Frank Cahill).	Donal O'Connor. Patrick Leonard.	Oscar Traynor.	Denis Cullen (Lab.)
SOUTH DUBLIN (Dan. M'Carthy).	T. J. Hennessy.	M. J. O Mullane.	Thos. Lawlor (Lab.)
CARLOW-KILKENNY (Sean Gibbons).	Thomas Bolger.	Michael Barry.	
SLIGO-LEITRIM (2) (Alec. M'Cabe and Thos. Carter).	A. Mooney. Martin Reddy.	Frank O'Beirne. Samuel Holt.	
CAVAN (Sean Milroy).	J. [illegible] O'Reilly.	Philip Baxter.	John F. O'Hanlon (Farmers).
NORTH MAYO (Jos. M'Grath).	Michael Tierney.	Thomas Derrig.	
ROSCOMMON (H. J. Finlay).	Martin Conlon.	J. J. O'Kelly.	

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that travelling dealers will be made to understand that fox skins are not to be obtained in any of the hunting counties.

THREE BLANK DAYS.

Since the publication of our first article we have received further notes on the extent of the practice in certain districts. Mr. F. A. Kenny, Joint Master, East Galway Hunt, writes as follows:—

"As to game, they are practically extinct in these parts, while vermin of every kind is flourishing. Hunting is all we have left socially in which all can unite in some districts, and certainly it does carry 'money and brightness' in its wake. I am happy to say that this traffic in skins has not, so far, been practised to any extent in this small country, and I think that every endeavour ought to be made to check it where prevalent. If hunting is stopped, it never will be revived."

It appears, then, that the West is not so much affected by the traffic as the South. "Here in Co. Limerick," writes a Southern hunting man, "we have had three blank days owing to this, and the English people who came over to hunt and spend their money in Ireland are packing up and going."

"The practice is very extensive in Carlow, as well as the neighbouring counties," we are informed by another authority, "and if some drastic step be not taken before long, I think that fox-hunting may close down. . . . So far as I can see, the only way to stop this wholesale trapping of foxes is to make the sale of fox skins illegal. . . . It certainly is a matter that ought to be dealt with without any more loss of time."

The matter is plainly at a stage at which it requires concerted action on the part of hunt authorities; and if a meeting of the Masters of Foxhounds' Association were held at an early date, we have no doubt that useful plans could be made. The Masters are eminently people who understand local feeling. Anything that they are likely to propose will be supported warmly, we feel sure, throughout the country; and if Government action seems to be required, the people, who welcome the sport and know its value to their own districts, will expect the Government to enter heartily into the needed measures.

The Minister for Justice has under consideration already proposals for legislation for the preservation of game. It is uncertain whether these proposals, as they stand, include powers which could be applied to the sale of fox skins. Evidently, however, the time is opportune for an approach to the Minister on the part of representatives of hunting people.

CONCERTS.

GOOD 'CELLO PLAYING AND SINGING.

The series of "celebrity concerts" in the Theatre Royal, Dublin, was resumed after the Christmas interval on Saturday afternoon. Madame Clara Butt, who was to have been the principal artist, was prevented by illness from appearing, and her place was taken by Miss Rosina Buckman, who was accompanied by Mr. Maurice D'Oisley. The programme was pleasantly varied, one of the most interesting features being the excellent 'cello playing of Mr. W. H. Squire. The first movement of Rubenstein's Sonata in D major, for 'cello and piano, with which the programme opened, proved to be an effective *aperitif*, and established an atmosphere of careful and cultured interpretation which was maintained throughout the afternoon.

The pianoforte part in the Sonata was played by Mdlle. Marie Antoinette Aussenac, a young artist who was heard for the first time in Dublin, and her powers of interpretation seemed to be adapted better to concerted work of this kind than to solo playing, for her playing of the Chopin E flat Study and the Liszt Campanella struck one as being rather boisterous at times, and minor inaccuracies were noticeable. Mr. Squire was delightful in a group of solos, which included *Apres un Reve* (Fauré), Rondo (Boccherini), and the Lullaby of Cyril Scott.

Miss Rosina Buckman is an old Dublin favourite, and she enhanced her splendid reputation on Saturday afternoon. She had chosen a charming group of songs, some of which were quite new to us. Her best performance, perhaps, was the delightful "Heffle Cuckoo Fair," by Martin Shaw, but her singing of Dr. Arne's "Lass with the Delicate Air" was really charming, and well deserved the enthusiasm with which the audience greeted it. She gave the well-known "Maori War Song" as an *encore*, and sang it magnificently, but, unfortunately, it was taken rather too slowly.

It was a pity that Miss Buckmann gave so many operatic extracts. The Butterfly Aria, the Waltz Song from Boheme, and the Pagliacci song with the Boheme duet were too much for one afternoon, more especially as the programme was almost entirely lacking in folk song, save for the little French *chansons*, which were sung with such charm by Mr. Maurice D'Oisley, the owner of a fine mellow voice.

Mr. Kennerly Rumford sang Easthorpe Martin's new setting of Martin Luther's Nativity Hymn, "Away in a Manger," with the grace and dignity which are expected of him, and he also sang an Irish song with much effect. His rendering of "Sea Fever," however, was hardly convincing. It seemed to lack enthusiasm for the tang of the brine; but in these days of stormy channel crossings that is pardonable! Altogether, it was a very pleasant concert, possibly more enjoyable that the "one star" celebrity concert, inasmuch as it was more varied and was maintained at a more even pitch of excellence.

ORCHESTRAL WORK AT LA SCALA THEATRE.

A large audience at La Scala Theatre, Dublin yesterday enjoyed a concert of orchestral and vocal music, organised in aid of the Irish National Fishermen's Association.

The Dublin Symphony Orchestra, which comprises almost forty instrumentalists, played no symphony, nor anything (unless we except the "Poet and Peasant" Overture) that needed an orchestra of what is now considered a symphonic standard. A good deal of light music was played neatly enough, and if the orchestra were encouraged to exercise itself in more music of the same kind its conductor, Mr. Vincent O'Brien, might venture, in time, to work at something more ambitious. The old Sunday orchestral concerts had a faithful following in pre-war days, and there must be room for renewed performances of the kind then given. The programme yesterday included (besides the "Poet and Peasant" Overture) Schubert's brisk "Marche Militaire," the "Valse Triste" of Sibelius, a selection of Sullivan's music to "The Gondoliers," and a dainty little suite by an Italian composer, entitled "Une Journée à Capri." The orchestral performances were applauded with great heartiness. Mr. O'Brien had one or two little *encore* pieces ready to meet the longest applause, and when he had nothing else to offer he called on the players to rise in their places and acknowledge the applause.

That Mr. Thorpe Bates, the English baritone, is popular here was soon made known by the calls from the audience for particular songs. As he was brought back for many songs besides those placed on the programme, he was able to satisfy some of the requests. "Onaway, awake, beloved" (Cowen) was one of the songs demanded, and perhaps the most enjoyable.

Great interest was taken in the return of Miss Molly O'Callaghan, who won a Feis Ceoil prize a few years ago, when she displayed a remarkable contralto voice, but insufficient training. In the meantime she has been away, and has profited greatly by training not only in voice production, but also in interpretation. She has still something to learn, and in her performances yesterday she was plainly more at home in the ballad structure than in the more subtle ways of dramatic singing. Her voice, however, is one of exceptionally rich quality through a big compass, with the real contralto foundation. Thus endowed, she should go far, especially if she should acquire a good command of dramatic expression. Her principal song yesterday was "Softly awakes my heart," from "Sampson and Delilah." Otherwise, the audience liked her best in such songs as "The Minstrel Boy" and "Danny Boy."

NO POST FOR MR. HODGES.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
BERLIN, Sunday.

The question of the election of a secretary was discussed to-day at Hanover by the Committee of the International Miners' Federation.

It has been assumed that Mr. Frank Hodges might be asked to take up his old post, but after a long discussion the question was adjourned for a few months, and no decision was reached. Mr. Herbert Smith (British Miners' Federation) made a report on the financial situation.

PANIC-STRICKEN WHEAT MARKET.

A DEARER LOAF.

NO EARLY FALL IN PRICES LIKELY.

BY OUR AGRICULTURAL CORRESPONDENT.

"Unless flour reaches 69s. or 70s. per sack, there would be no justification for increasing the price of the 4lb. loaf to a shilling." So said an authority in Dublin on the subject of the wheat market to me on Saturday.

NO IMMEDIATE RELIEF.

The most significant thing about this market, he said, was that the further off the shipments were, the higher the price. It appeared as if the people could not look for cheaper flour for two months. March would be dearer than February, and the earliest possible time that relief could be hoped for would be April. Flour at Saturday's prices, he added, was 15s. dearer than in October. In his opinion, these prices would justify an increase of 1½d. in the 4lb. loaf, but this, he stated, would not be imposed on the public all at once, but gradually. A Toronto cable which was received on Saturday stated: "Canada's remaining exportable surplus practically half what it was last year, and considerable volume still selling every day, despite tremendous rise. Until demand slackens may expect still higher price."

The alarmist reports which have caused this panic-striken dealing in wheat do not appear to be justified. According to the "Agricultural Market Report" issued by the British Ministry of Agriculture, the prospects of the world's wheat supply are no worse than they were at the opening of the season. The import requirements of Europe are stated to be unchanged, except that Russia may, perhaps, owing to its poor harvest, require to import a certain quantity. The Far East, however, is taking less than last year.

THE ESTIMATES.

In Canada the final estimate of the 1924 harvest is officially given as 140.4 million cwts., over five million cwts. less than a previous estimate, and only fifty-five per cent. of the exceptionally abundant crop of 1923. The United States estimates, on the other hand, have increased, and the total United States crop is now placed at 467 million cwts., whereas three months ago it was 448 million cwts. Argentina official returns show that the yield per acre is under the average, so that the total production is decidedly under last year, the preliminary estimate placing the total at 103 million cwts., which is 29 million cwts. below last year.

Australia, on the other hand, has a very fine yield, and the production, estimated at 87 million cwts., is 20 millions above last year. Indian harvest prospects are reported to be favourable, but it is yet too early to say anything definite regarding the crop there. Taking these five countries together, therefore, it would appear that the total exportable surplus will be much the same as was anticipated a few months ago. It would thus seem that, while there is no reason to anticipate a scarcity, the carry-over at the end of the current season may be small.

NEW YEAR'S DAY STOCKS AT HOME.

On New Year's Day it was estimated that stocks of wheat (including flour raised to the equivalent weight of wheat) at ports in Great Britain and Ireland were 9,257,000 cwts., an increase of twenty per cent. on the month, and more than double the quantity estimated to be in store a year ago. This amount is about equal to the average quantity held on the corresponding dates in the years from 1910 to 1914.

As a means of combating in this country such a calamity as a world shortage of wheat, the recommendations made by Mr. Thomas Johnson, T.D., and Senator Michael Duffy in the Minority Report of the Agricultural Commission may be recalled. These were: that the importation of wheat, flour and maize should be a State monopoly or, alternatively, should be regulated by a Grain Board controlling private enterprise; that wheat-growing should not be allowed to become obsolete in a wheat-consuming country; that a guaranteed price should be paid for limited quantities of home-grown wheat; and that millers should be required to blend a proportion of home-grown wheat with imported wheat.

OBITUARY.

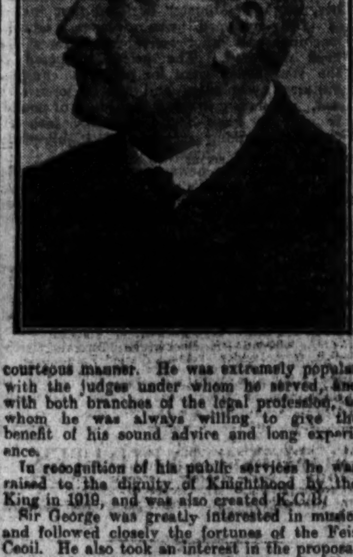
DR. JOHN CHARLES MARTIN.

We regret to announce that Dr. John Charles Martin, J.P., of Duncreggan Portrush, died at his residence on Saturday morning last. He was born in 1857 in India, where his father was a Civil Servant. Dr. Martin had enjoyed an extensive medical practice in the Portrush, Bushmills, and Coleraine districts for fortyone years, and during about twenty years he had been Coroner for North Antrim. He had a wide reputation as a surgeon. Dr. Martin was one of the founders of the Hopefield Cottage Hospital, Portrush, and was a member of the medical and surgical staff of the Coleraine Cottage Hospital.

SIR GEORGE FOTTRELL, K.C.B.

We regret to announce that Sir George Fottrell, K.C.B., died yesterday at his residence, 8 North Great George's street, Dublin, after a brief illness. Born in 1849, he was the son of the late George Drevar Fottrell, solicitor, and a member of the well-known firm of Dublin solicitors, Messrs. George D. Fottrell and Sons.

Sir George Fottrell was educated at Belvedere College and at the Catholic University, and was admitted a solicitor in the Easter Term, 1871. For very many years he was Clerk of the Crown and Peace for the County and City of Dublin, and performed the onerous duties of the office in the most capable and



courteous manner. He was extremely popular with the judges under whom he served, and with both branches of the legal profession, to whom he was always willing to give the benefit of his sound advice and long experience.

In recognition of his public services he was raised to the dignity of Knighthood by the King in 1919, and was also created K.C.B.

Sir George was greatly interested in music, and followed closely the fortunes of the Feis Ceoil. He also took an interest in the proposal to provide a proper concert hall for the City of Dublin. He was a keen cyclist, and generally cycled from his residence at Dunmara, Ballybrack, to his office and back. He married in 1872 Mary, daughter of William Watson, of Dublin, by whom he had one son and five daughters. The funeral will be private.

THE SECRETARIAL COURSE at SKERRY'S COMMERCIAL SCHOOL, 10 Harcourt st., Dublin, is the best possible preparation for a Business Career, and includes expert tuition in Shorthand, Typewriting, Book-keeping, Office Routine, etc. Prospectus free.—(Advt.)

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Bank Haul of 1s. 4d.—A burglar remanded at Llanelly for breaking into a bank was said to have secured only 1s. 4d.

Nearly Sixty Years a Priest.—Monsignor Henry Hancock, aged eighty-four, whose death was announced at Taunton last Saturday, had nearly reached the diamond jubilee of his priesthood.

Missing Copper Comedy.—A tenant complained recently to the Grimsby Property Owners' Association that her house had no copper, but investigation showed that it had been loaned to a neighbour for jam making.

Herrings for Germany.—Lever Bros. have established a branch at Haugesund for the export of herrings to Germany. Large quantities have already been despatched, and it is expected that the export will be further developed.

£50,000,000 Claimant.—Mr. Michael Carter, a Burton-on-Trent licensee, is one of the claimants to a £50,000,000 estate in the United States, including land on which the greater part of New York is built. The land was given in the eighteenth century to a supposed ancestor of Mr. Carter.

Omnibus in Flames.—A motor omnibus burst into flames opposite Edmonton (Middlesex) Town Hall last Saturday. The flames shot high above the top deck, and the passengers rushed off while the fire was burning. The driver averted what might have been a serious accident by cutting off the petrol supply.

College Theological Society.—A meeting of the College Theological Society will be held in the Graduates' Memorial Building, Trinity College, to-night at 8 o'clock. Mr. C. L. Peacocke will read a paper on "Women and the Church." The paper will be followed by a discussion. The meetings of the Society are open to the public.

Woman Pianist of 102.—Mrs. Eleanor Tyldes, lady of the manor of Ingoldisthorpe, Norfolk, who celebrated her 102nd birthday last Saturday, still plays the piano from memory. She is a near neighbour of the King and Queen at Sandringham House and York Cottage, and she was visited by three Queens on her birthday two years ago.

A Wembley Writ.—A writ for libel and slander has been issued by the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders against Sir Lawrence Weaver, director of United Kingdom Exhibits, in respect of certain statements alleged to have been made by Sir Lawrence in the Press about the Society's action towards the British Empire Exhibition, 1925.

Septuagenarian to Return to Bar.—Mr. Forbes Lankester, K.C., the seventy-year-old West London magistrate, intends to return to the Bar when his six years' service as a magistrate ends in March. His appointment should have ended last Friday, his seventieth birthday, but the Home Office has extended his time, so that he might complete his full six years' service.

£50,000 Worth of Cage Birds.—Birds from all parts of the United Kingdom will be seen at the National Challenge Show of Cage Birds, to be held at the Crystal Palace, London, on Friday, Saturday, and Monday, February 6, 7 and 9. The total value of the birds exhibited is estimated at £50,000, and the challenge cups and prizes aggregate over £1,000 in value.

Empire Jewel Trade.—Queensland gems worth about £25,000 have been sold in Europe in the last few months under the latest marketing scheme of the Government. The Queensland Minister for Mines states that since his return from England he has been notified by the Government representative that £5,000 worth of sapphires have been sold lately.

New Temple of Peace.—A proposal has been put forward in Paris to erect a magnificent monument to be known as "The Temple of Peace," at a point on the former battlefront at which the fighting was fiercest. It is suggested that the nations should be asked to collaborate in the erection of the monument, which will be intended to symbolise the longing of humanity for peace and the reconciliation of the peoples.

Mersey Bargemen Strike.—All barges on the Mersey, except those at Port Sunlight, are affected by a strike of three hundred bargemen, which took place last Saturday. The principal cause of the dispute is alleged undermanning, while the men complain that they have to do work which should be done by dockers. The barges are chiefly used in carrying coals and conveying cargoes to ships in the river.

Prince Henry Opens Hospital Wing.—Prince Henry, on behalf of Prince George, who is recovering from an attack of tonsilitis, visited Norwich last Saturday and laid the foundation stone of the new children's block at the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital. An appeal has been made for £50,000 to meet the cost of the extension, and £34,000 was subscribed in a few weeks. The ward hitherto occupied by children is required for adult persons.

Power from the Desert.—That utilisation of the heat from the sand of the Sahara might lead to that desert becoming the greatest power station in the world was suggested in a lecture in London on "Problems of Tropical Africa," by Mr. W. H. Barker. Tropical Africa, he said, was destined to play a most important part in the world's future. France was anticipating making her Sudan territory into an Argentine for cattle and corn and an Egypt for cotton.

Old Master for 32s.—A beautiful Tintoretto was sold at an auction in London recently for 32s. Within a day or two the dealer disposed of it for £399 to one of the best known art galleries in the West End. Now it is being cleaned, and it is thought that, when the full beauty of its colours is revealed, it may be re-sold for many thousands of pounds. The subject of the picture is the Madonna and Child, with a prince in the lower foreground offering a jewelled casket.

Largest Sailing Ship.—The largest sailing ship in the world has now been berthed at the West India Docks, to be unloaded of a cargo of some thousands of tons of South African maize. She is the Kobenhavn, belonging to the East Asiatic Company of Copenhagen. The vessel was built by a Leith firm in 1921, and is fitted with auxiliary motor power. One of the five masts is 182ft. high. Part of the crew's complement consists of 42 cadets, who are being trained for the Danish Merchant Service.

Fight Against Evictions.—Mr. James Maxton, M.P., speaking on evictions at Clydebank, at a Labour meeting in London last night, said that up to 1910 people in the West of Scotland were contented with their dwellings. He added: "We made them discontented with the bestial dwellings in which they were housed. Widespread discontent is necessary for the elevation of the people. This is not a parlour game. It is a definite pitched battle between the working classes and the capitalists."

"Exams" for Examiners.—Some amusement has been caused in the Chamber of Deputies by the tabling of a private bill by M. Bouteille, Deputy for the Oise Department. He alleges that illiterate persons have been appointed "delegates of cantons," whose only function is to examine candidates for the primary school certificate. He, therefore, suggests that a special committee should examine the newly appointed examiners, giving them an easy dictation of twenty lines and testing them in the four simple rules of arithmetic.

ENGLISH FARM MYSTERY.

STATEMENT BY THORNE READ IN COURT.

A statement made by John Norman Holmes Thorne, the twenty-four-year-old poultry farmer, who is charged with the murder of Elsie Cameron (26), a Kensal Rise typist, was read at Mark Cross (Sussex) last Saturday, when the accused was remanded for a week.

According to Thorne, Miss Cameron arrived at his hut at Blackness unexpectedly at about 5.30 on the evening of the 5th December. She told him that she was going to stop there until he married her. At 9.45 that night he said that he would have to go to meet the Caldicotts at Crowborough, and Miss Cameron appeared to be very upset about his leaving. He returned to the hut about two hours later, and then found Miss Cameron hanging dead from a beam by a washing line. He cut her down, and afterwards buried the remains in a chicken run.

Mr. G. C. Prevey, counsel for the Crown, stated on Saturday that one of the witnesses who will be called is a girl with whom Thorne was on such terms that he discussed the question of marrying her, and possibly going to America if he could break off his engagement with Elsie Cameron.

Export boot and leather trade is improving. A big Northampton firm, on short time for three years, is resuming full running.

Lady Maud Carnegie, who underwent an operation at Ruthin Castle, North Wales, last Monday, continues to progress satisfactorily.

ROSCOMMON.

MINISTER'S RETORT TO HECKLERS.

MILLIONS THAT WENT IN SMOKE.

MR. HOGAN ON LAND SCHEMES.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.
ROSCOMMON, Sunday.

The Rev. Canon Cummins, P.P., speaking here to-day at a large meeting in support of Mr. Martin Conlon, Cumann na nGaedheal candidate, said that Ireland had suffered too much to take serious notice of Mr. Joseph McGrath, who would have done better for himself, for his friends and for Ireland by remaining in the Dail and thrashing out his grievances there.

Were they to tear up the Treaty, abandon the Free State, and risk their national salvation for the smallest hint of a phantom and fluky Republic! Mr. de Valera despised majority rule, and had placed £30,000,000 of damage on the backs of the Irish people. The speaker wanted to know what more a Republic would give them than they had already. Mr. de Valera had failed in his physical revolution, and his latest stand was a mental revolution.

Another reference to Mr. de Valera provoked interruption and cries of "Up de Valera." This caused the speaker to remark that hero worshippers were the curse of Ireland, and, real or fancied, they went on all the time in this country like the running brook.

He did not intend to appeal to those who had nothing to loose—not even character—nor to the robbers, nor looters, but to the honest, sober-minded, and God-fearing people to vote for progress and the established Government. (Cheers.)

Mr. Finian Lynch, the Minister for Fisheries, said that the policy of their opponents was a Republic. It would be interesting to know how their opponents, if returned to power, proposed to get the Republic. He would like to know how many people in Ireland were in favour of another war. It was a most extraordinary fact that the men who did most of the work against the British in pre-truce days were quite satisfied to accept the Treaty, and work it.

Mr. P. Hogan, the Minister for Lands and Agriculture, had only commenced to speak when he was interrupted by the question—"Tell us what you will do with your uncle's five hundred acres of grabbed land." "I have," he replied, "no uncle with four hundred acres of land, nor a cousin with three hundred acres, nor yet a relative with two hundred acres; but I have an uncle in Clare with one hundred and thirty acres, and that land came down from his great grandfather. So where this fabulous uncle comes in I don't know."

Continuing, he said that he felt quite sure that his questioner would like cheap land, and to live without very much hard work, for he was like a lot of people in this country who, at the present moment, became patriots as an alternative to becoming hard workers.

He asked them to put an end to humbug, and inquired how many had become irregulars because they thought that something could be made out of it. (Cheers.)

Mr. Hogan went on to say that, in addition to the reaction of the European War and three bad harvests, there were thirty million pounds' worth of destruction for which the people of the country would have to pay. They knew of the propaganda which had been used by their enemies—that they were not fit for self-government, and all he could say was that, if his interrupters and their likes represented a majority of the voters of the country, then they were not fit for self-government. (Cheers.)

The Government was charged with putting thousands of people in jail, flogging and executing prisoners, and raising an Army. Every one of these were true, and he stood over them. They did all that in order to make the people masters in their own country. A gun minority would never rule this country in the future. (Cheers.) They could buy all the untenanted and tenanted lands in the State for thirty million pounds, but more than that sum went up in smoke during the irregular campaign. The irregulars are going on platforms and blaming the Government for the misfortunes that they themselves have caused. The Government had to decrease the old age pensions, and their own salaries were cut.

A Voice—What was your cut?

Mr. Hogan—In my own case it is about £380. The reason of these decreases was we had not the money, and we are trying to do the best we can and grapple with the destruction which Mr. de Valera and his men cost the country.

Dealing with the question of agriculture, the speaker mentioned that the Government had spent about three million five hundred thousand pounds under the 1903 Act, and, in addition, had arranged for the reduction of twenty-five per cent. in the rents of all unpurchased tenants. At present they were dealing with one million five hundred thousand acres under the 1924 Act, and sixty thousand acres of that area were in Roscommon.

Messrs. Lavin, T.D., and F. McGuinness also addressed the meeting.

DUBLIN ARREST.

BOGUS DOCTOR SENTENCED IN LONDON.

James O'Connor, aged 33, who was arrested in Dublin on a warrant recently, was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment at the Thames Police Court, London, last Saturday, on a charge of obtaining £6 by false pretences from Mrs. Sara White, a medical practitioner, of Upper East Smithfield. It was stated that, since 1920, twenty-three cases in London alone had been traced in which O'Connor had obtained money from medical men in the names of various doctors. He was said to have been born in Belmullet, Co. Mayo.

When arrested in Dublin O'Connor said: "Yes; quite right. There are quite a number of other cases which I wish to be taken into consideration. It will be a great relief to get it over."

In court it was mentioned that there were two other charges against O'Connor of a similar character—namely, of obtaining £15 from Dr. Donald O'Keeffe, of Farnham Grove, Forest Gate, London, in June, 1921, and Dr Thomas Sweetman of Arthur road, Wimbledon, in November, 1920.

Detective-Sergeant Christopher stated that O'Connor was educated at a college in Kildare. In 1908 he failed in his examination at the College of Surgeons, Dublin. During the war he obtained a commission in the Dorsetshire Regiment, but after a short time was discharged owing to ill health. Since then he had been to America several times, and had been assisted by relatives.

In 1920 he began to obtain sums of money from various medical men in London and the provinces, most of his victims being of Irish origin. In 1921 he married a respectable woman, from whom also he obtained a sum of money.

On one occasion he called on Captain Lowry, of Seymour place, London, who was blind through wounds received during the war, and borrowed money in order, as he said, to assist him to get back to Ireland.

"THE SCHOOL FOR PRINCESSES."

Visitors to the Abbey Theatre, Dublin, last night—and one was glad to see so large an audience—had an opportunity of seeing another play by that prolific writer, Jacinto Benevente. "The School for Princesses" was the work which the Dublin Drama League presented. In this three-act comedy, Benevente, with delicate wit and ironic subtlety, treats of the affairs of life and love in high places. The dialogue in the translation has preserved the native atmosphere; it is clever and witty; and, though the performance last night provided nothing startling, it served its purpose very well in conveying the meaning and idea of the composition.

In a large cast those who caught the eye most were Sheiah Richards, as Princess Constanza; Christine Hayden, as Princess Eudosia; and Maureen Delaney, as Ambassadress of Franconia; while among the men, Arthur Ward, Arthur Shields, T. Bye, and Eric Gorman were very good.

OPIUM PERIL.

FINDING A WAY OUT OF DEADLOCK.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
GENEVA, Sunday.

In place of the British and French declarations of policy in regard to the suppression of opium smoking in the Far East, a binding undertaking has now been offered in the form of a protocol to be signed simultaneously with the convention arrived at by the first opium conference.

This was put forward at a meeting yesterday of the Committee of Sixteen, composed of representatives of the two Conferences, which was set up to find a way out of the deadlock which arose over this question.

The protocol contains the British and French declarations, and meets some of the objections which the Americans opposed to the former, an essential article being one in which complete suppression of opium smoking in Far Eastern territories and possessions is undertaken in 15 years from the date on which production in neighbouring countries is pronounced by the League Commission to have ceased.

Every effort is promised, meantime, to reduce smoking and encourage the abandonment of it by addicts and to combat illicit traffic.

The protocol does not meet the American position, which refuses to see in the situation in China, or elsewhere, any valid pretext for delay in the application of repressive measures.

A second protocol was presented at the same time for signature by opium-producing countries, promising restriction of production within the limits above indicated within five years, but it was stated the first protocol was offered independently of this.

THE FIGHTING IN MOROCCO.

RAISULI SURRENDERS.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.
TANGIER, Sunday.

Among a thousand rumours and reports, it is now possible to gather the threads of what has been occurring at Tazrut during this last week.

On Sunday, January 25, Abdel Krim's Rifi contingents and such Jabala tribesmen as had remained faithful to the Rifi cause began the encircling movement of Raisuli's stronghold.

On Monday last they attacked. The fighting was very heavy, and there were many losses on both sides. Raisuli's men fought well against heavy odds all that day, but towards evening they were driven back on Tazrut, and the Rifis closed in. On Tuesday Tazrut was taken. Raisuli, who, sick as he was, had defended his residence up to the last, was carried through his dwelling into the adjoining mausoleum of his ancestors, where he took sanctuary. All firing then ceased.

Three leaders of the Rifi Party—Hamido Hariro, who, till a few months ago, had been one of Raisuli's most steadfast adherents; a secretary of Abdel Krim, by name Bu Lahya, and a certain Shawni—entered the precincts of the tomb. Raisuli, who is unable to stand or walk owing to dropsy in his legs, lay on the floor. He surrendered, stating that if his life was spared he would obey Abdel Krim's orders, whatever they might be. Seeing Hamido Hariro, who had led the attack against him, he chided him for his treachery, to be told, in turn, that he had driven him into the ranks of the Rifi. There were mutual recriminations as to the responsibilities for the loss of so many lives in this intertribal fighting at the moment when united action was required to expel the Spaniards.

Finally, Raisuli reasserted his readiness to use all his influence and all his force in the interests of Abdel Krim. He ordered his young son, a boy of about 15 years of age, and his nephew, Mulai Ali, both of whom had been slightly wounded during the fighting, to proceed to Sheshaun, and there surrender themselves to Abdel Krim's brother, who commands the Rifi forces in that region. The young man took an autograph letter from Raisuli, stating that only his severe illness prevented his coming in person, and he begged the Rifi chief to come to Tazrut to discuss the terms of his surrender.

A strong guard was placed round Tazrut, where nothing has been touched since the fighting ceased, nor has any member of Raisuli's family been molested. His principal followers are also prisoners of the Rifi.

Wednesday broke unpropitiously; for the Spaniards at Tetuan, under the impression that Raisuli was still holding out, sent aeroplanes to bomb the Rifi contingents in the neighbourhood of Tazrut. Abdel Krim's commanders at once visited Raisuli and told him to communicate immediately with Tetuan, to demand that the bombing should cease, and not be repeated. The Rifi suffered some losses, but Raisuli's message apparently reached Tetuan, for since Wednesday till the latest news left Tazrut no further bombing has taken place.

Meanwhile, messages announcing Raisuli's surrender had been sent by the Rifian telephone from Sheshaun to Abdel Krim at his headquarters at Ajdir, near Alhucemas. The actual terms of Raisuli's surrender are not known, nor are Abdel Krim's intentions with regard to Raisuli's future. The one outstanding fact is that the whole situation in the Spanish zone is profoundly changed by the incidents of these last few days.

CHEQUE RETURNED BY OFFICER.

SEQUEL TO MURDER OF A BOMBAY MERCHANT.

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Mr. Mathew, Abdul Kadir Baula's manager, who was wounded in the Malabar Hill shooting outrage, has been discharged from hospital, and is at present staying with Mr. Baula's mother. It is expected, however, that he will go to Indore to-morrow to identify the men arrested in connection with the crime.

Mr. Baula's mother sent Lieutenant Saegert a letter expressing her gratitude for his efforts on behalf of her son, and enclosing a cheque for 5,000 rupees. Lieutenant Saegert returned the cheque, pointing out that he had merely done his duty, and adding that his action was due to the courage and pluck of his brother officers.—(Reuter.)

INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE.

There was a large attendance of manufacturers and of representatives of trade unions at the industrial conference convened by the Dublin Industrial Development Association, Incorporated, and held last Monday night, Sir John Irwin, President of the Association, presiding.

The President explained that the conference had been convened for the purpose of considering certain suggestions which had been made to the Council of the Association by the Dublin Trades Council and others with a view to finding a remedy for the present precarious condition of Irish industries, and in order to place before those in authority some definite proposals to which legislative and administrative effect might be given.

Mr. Dermot Stewart, on behalf of the Dublin Trades Council, dealt with the large amount of Irish capital invested abroad, pointing out that there was no security for it at home because of the competition of outside industries more highly organised and enjoying many advantages. The solution his Council had to put forward was: A 50 per cent. restriction on all imports of manufactured goods which this country itself produces; a tariff of 25 per cent. on the other 50 per cent.; control of the retail prices of the necessaries of life, and prevention of profiteering.

Mr. Moore, of the Dublin Trades Council, said that voluntary support of Irish industries had failed. Extended technical instruction would have the support of the workers, but was a remedy for the future rather than for the present. Restriction of imports, however, would cope with the present situation.

After a long discussion the conference adjourned until Tuesday night next.

Fifteen thousand five-shilling tickets will be available for this year's English Football Association final at the Wembley Stadium.

DERRY TRAIN ACCIDENT.

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about more or less by the act of God, and over an occurrence of this sort no human being had control.

Mr. Hunt, general manager of the company, said that relatives could rely on the company's extending all practical help legitimately in their power.

The Coroner said that the accident was one of the saddest that ever occurred in Donegal. The matter would be the subject of investigation by the Board of Trade, and they would leave no stone unturned to probe everything to the bottom.

MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY.

PRESIDENT COSGRAVE.

The following telegram has been received by the manager of the railway company from President Cosgrave:—

"Deeply deplore accident. Sympathise sincerely with relatives of victims and trust injured will have a speedy recovery."

SIR JAMES CRAIG.

Sir James Craig, Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, telegraphed to the Chairman of the railway company:—

"I have just received news of tragic accident. Please convey sympathy of Northern Government to the injured and to the relatives of those who have been killed."

PAINFUL SHOCK.

BISHOP OF RAPHOE'S MESSAGE.

The Bishop of Raphoe in a message says—"The news of the Burtonport Railway disaster has given me a most painful shock. This deplorable affair will cast a gloom over the whole diocese. I unite with the priests and people in conveying a message of heartfelt sympathy to the sorrow-stricken relatives, and pray God's mercy for the deceased and His help and consolation for the survivors."

GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S MESSAGE.

The Governor-General, in a message to the Bishop of Raphoe, says:—"Knowing how deeply your lordship must be moved by the railway disaster, let me venture to say that the whole country mourns for the afflicted members of your flock."

ENGLISH MADRIGALS.

SIXTEENTH CENTURY'S GREAT WORKS.

The Rev. Edmund H. Fellowes, Mus.Doc. (Minor Canon of Windsor), on Saturday lectured at the Royal Institution, London, on the English madrigal, and—an unusual feature at Royal Institution lectures—musical illustrations were supplied by the Morley College choir.

Dr. Fellowes said that in the sixteenth century in Italy, France, England, and in less degree in Spain and elsewhere in Europe, great developments in music took place, and vocal music, without accompaniment was brought to the highest pitch of perfection. People might produce beautiful unaccompanied works to-day, but they would never surpass the great works of the sixteenth century by such composers as Palestrina in Italy and William Byrd and Orlando Gibbons in England.

In the development of secular music Italy took the lead, but although none of the English madrigals was produced before the year of the Armada, by the close of the century England was at the top of all the musical nations of Europe. The madrigal composers excelled in fitting music to words.

WIFE'S WILL

CONTESTED BY HUSBAND.

Thomas Croasdaile, farmer, Rathcoole, Co. Dublin, sought, as executor, to have admitted to probate the last will, dated February 12, 1924, and one codicil, dated May 1, 1924, of Mrs. Ellen Kelly, late proprietress of the Royal Oak publichouse, High road, Kilmainham. The defendant was James Kelly, husband of the deceased.

Mr. Wood, K.C., with whom was Mr. Marnan (instructed by Mr. J. J. McDonald), who appeared for the plaintiff in support of the will and codicil, said that the assets amounted to about £2,000 and the value of the licensed house. The defendant was a carpenter, and the parties lived very unhappily together, so much so that Mrs. Kelly had on two occasions to bring her husband before the police magistrate, when he was bound over to keep the peace towards her. They had separated, but he insisted on coming to reside in the publichouse, and for peace sake she had to give him a room, where he lived a separate life. There were three children (boys) of the marriage, the eldest being in business and the other two at school. By her will Mrs. Kelly left almost all her property in trust for the three boys. The husband did not enjoy any benefit under either the will or codicil.

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Mr. Justice O'Shaughnessy found in favour of the will and codicil, and directed the plaintiff's costs to be paid out of the assets, and made no order as to defendant's costs.

CHESS.

ALEKHINE'S FINE FEAT.

PARIS, Sunday.

Alekhine, the chess master, this morning began a single-handed chess match against 28 teams, composed of prominent amateurs. The master won 22 games and lost three, while the remaining seven games were drawn.—(Reuter.)

COMMUNISTS CHARGED.

SIX CASUALTIES IN STREET FIGHT AT BALE.

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A collision occurred between police and Communists here to-day, arising from a demonstration outside a florist's shop. The police charged with drawn swords, and six persons were slightly wounded.—(Reuter.)

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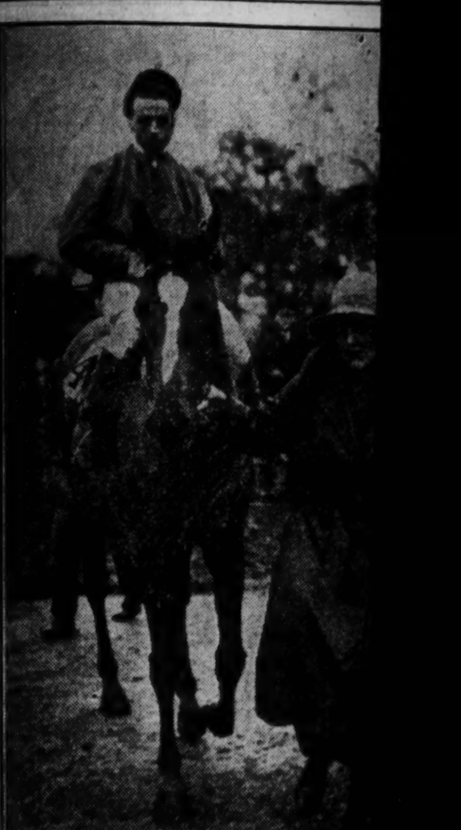

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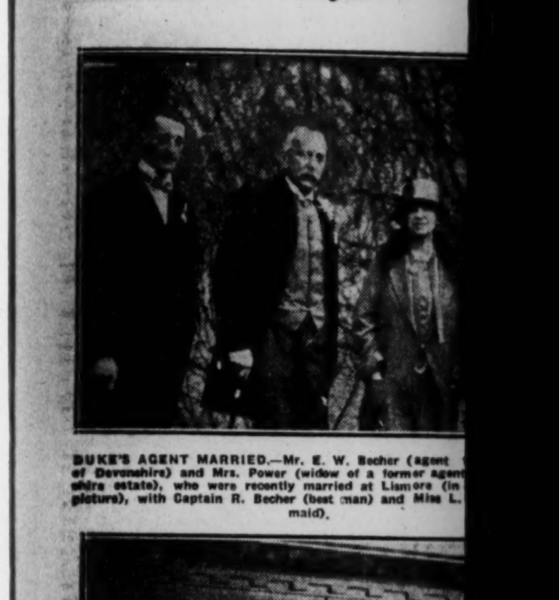

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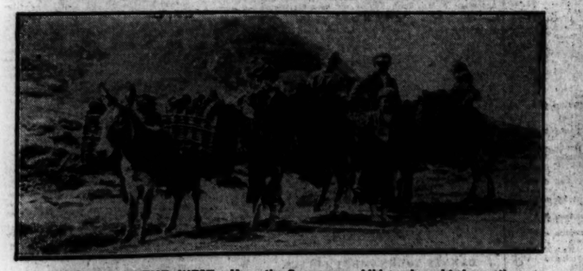

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DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT.

FLAT ROBBERY.

STORY OF A MISSING STATUETTE.

Patrick Dowse (22), no home or business, was remanded on a charge of stealing a marble statuette, worth about two guineas, and two pairs of lady's shoes valued at £2 7s., from a flat in Stephen's Green, South, in September last.

The defendant was said to have stated that the statuette was given to him by a companion to pawn.

ALLEGED "SHOPLIFTING."

A respectably dressed young woman named Mary Kelly, stated to have no fixed address, was charged with "shop-lifting" in Woolworth's Stores, Grafton street.

It was stated that the defendant was seen taking articles from the counters, for which she did not pay. When arrested she was in possession of sanitary towels, a nail file, a copy of "The Ten Commandments," etc., to the total value of 2s.

The defendant said that she came from Tullamore. This was her first offence, and she regretted having committed the theft.

The case was remanded until to-day.

PHOTOGRAPHER CHARGED.

James Arthur Connor (31), photographer, with offices at the rear of 63 Dame street, was remanded in custody on a charge of indecently assaulting a girl aged 6½ years, in a room at the above-named address, on 27th January last.

The defendant stated that he was innocent. He was arrested.

COMMISSIONERS FOR OATHS.

THE USE OF IRISH.

The Chief Justice, sitting in the Supreme Court on Saturday, had before him applications for appointments as Commissioners for Oaths from Thomas Neligan, Peace Commissioner, chemist, Dingle, Co. Kerry; and John O'Dowd, Clerk of the District Court, Waterford.

The defendant was said to have stated that the statuette was given to him by a companion to pawn.

Mr. T. O'Donnell (instructed by Mr. E. J. Downing), who appeared for Mr. Neligan, referred to the affidavit of the applicant, who stated that he had a sufficient knowledge of Irish to enable him to transact business in Irish.

Mr. Marnan (instructed by Mr. T. F. Monks), on behalf of Mr. John Kennedy, solicitor, Dingle, who is a Commissioner of Oaths, read an affidavit, in which Mr. Kennedy stated that the applicant resided with his mother, who was the owner of licensed premises.

The Chief Justice adjourned the application, in order to give Mr. Neligan an opportunity of replying to Mr. Kennedy's affidavit.

Mr. Fitzgerald Kenny made an application on behalf of Mr. O'Dowd.

The Chief Justice asked did the district for which the applicant wished to be appointed comprise part of what was commonly known as the *Gaeltacht*.

Mr. Fitzgerald Kenny said that the old road from Irish but Achill was bi-lingual.

The Chief Justice said that the present position was that anyone who desired to use Irish was absolutely entitled to use it. He postponed the application

BROADCASTING.

TO-DAY.

The letters "S.B." signify a simultaneous broadcast from the station mentioned.

LONDON (2LO)—365 Metres.
5.15-5.45—Transmission to Schools: Mr. Geoffrey Shaw on "Music." 6.0-6.0—Time Signal. Music. "The Romance of Paper Making." 6.20-6.15—Children. 6.45-7.55—Mr. E. V. Le Breton Martin: "Rustic Humour." 7.0—Time Signal from Big Ben, Weather Forecast and News. S.B. to all Stations. Talk by the Radio Association. S.B. to all Stations. Prof. J. E. G. de Montmorency on "Criminal Law." S.B. to all Stations. 7.35—Comic Opera Programme. 8.0—First performance of Operetta, "Kaloona," or "An Arabian Mem." 9.20—Time Signal, Weather Forecast and News. S.B. to all Stations. 10.0—The Orchestra. 10.30—Close down.

BIRMINGHAM (5IT)—475 Metres.
5.30-6.30—The Station Wind Quartet. 6.0-6.30—Women's Corner. 6.30-6.50—Children. 6.50-6.45—"Teens" Corner. 7.0—S.B. from London. 7.35—Popular Programme. 8.30—S.B. from London. 10.0—Orchestra. 10.30—Close down.

BOURNEMOUTH (6BM)—385 Metres.
5.45-6.0—Talk to Women. Dance Orchestra. 6.0-6.0—Children. 6.0-6.30—Scholars' Half-Hour: "A Parisian England." 7.0—S.B. from London. 7.35—Bournemouth Culliver Italy. The Wireless Augmented Orchestra, Gertrude Johnson (soprano), Harry Brindle (bass), Herbert Thorpe (tenor). 8.35—Operatic Scene. "The Daughter of the Regiment." 8.50—S.B. from London. 10.30—Close down.

CARDIFF (5WA)—351 Metres.
5.0-6.0—Fullness and the Orchestra. 4.45-5.15—"AWA" at Five o'clock. 5.15-6.0—Children. 6.0-6.45—"Romances of Natural History." 7.0—S.B. from London. 7.35—Welsh Song and Story. 9.35—S.B. from London. 10.0—Dance Music. 10.30—Close down.

MANCHESTER (2ZY)—375 Metres.
5.0-6.30—Music. 5.30-6.0—Broadcast for Secondary Schools (Teachers). 6.0-6.30—Children's Hour. 6.30-7.0—Women's Half-hour. 6.0-6.0—Children's Corner. 6.30-7.0—F. Russell on "Musical Appreciation." 7.0-8.0—Time London. 7.45—Lights Symphony Concert. 8.35—S.B. from London. 10.0—James Wormley (Lancashire Dialect Entertainer). 10.30—Close down.

GLASGOW (5SC)—420 Metres.
5.30-6.30—The Wireless Quartet. 6.15-6.0—Children's Corner. 6.0-6.5—Weather Forecast for Farmers. 6.40-6.55—R. Buckeridge: Topical Talk. 7.25-8.0, from Auchterly. 7.40—A Varied Programme. 8.30—S.B. from London. 10.30—Close down.

BELFAST (2BE)—435 Metres.
4.0-5.0—The "2BE" Quartet. 5.30-6.15—Children's Corner. 6.40-6.55—Professor Henry: "Our Debt to Greece and Rome." 7.0—S.B. from London. 7.35—Welsh Night. Parry Jones (tenor), Albert Fitzgerald (solo violin), Pauline Barker (solo harp), Robert O. Stanley (recitals). The Station Orchestra. 9.20—Weather Forecast and News. S.B. from London. Mr. George Macdonald. S.B. from Edinburgh. 10.0—Orchestra. 10.30—Close down.

TRADE INSPECTOR FOR FREE STATE.

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General Inference.—A wedge of high pressure is moving eastwards across the British Isles, and a depression north-west of Ireland is approaching our North-Western coasts. The wind will back to south-west, and fair, cold weather will be replaced by dull to rainy weather in the North-West, unsettled weather spreading South-East later.

N.W. and N.E. Ireland.—Wind south-westerly, moderate to fresh, becoming strong to high later; cloudy or dull; some rain; visibility moderate to good; becoming mild.

S.E. and S.W. Ireland.—Wind south-westerly, moderate, becoming fresh to strong; cloudy or dull; some rain or drizzle later; visibility moderate to good; becoming mild.

S.W. Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland.—Wind south-westerly, moderate to fresh; cloudy; visibility moderate or good; sea moderate to rather rough.

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel; N.W. Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides.—Wind south-westerly, becoming strong to high; cloudy to dull; some rain; visibility moderate or good; sea rough.

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To-morrow	.. 8. 8	.. 5.11
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GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE

SCRATCHED CANDIDATES.

THE WEIGHTS ATTACKED.

CLASHING ARMS AT HIS BEST.

From Our Travelling Correspondent.

LONDON, Sunday Night.

Already quite a little heat has been infused into the Lincolnshire Handicap. On Saturday Mr. S. B. Joel projected a bomb into the Registry Office in the shape of an order to strike out of the race his four candidates trained by Walter Earl—viz., Pondoland, Evander, Green Fire, and Pasha. The joke of it is that most people thought there was no better handicapped candidate in the race than Pondoland, for this horse won at Goodwood in the most dashing style, and played with Jarvie, to whom he was giving 11lb., while in the Lincolnshire he was only set to give Jarvie 10lb. But this, apparently, is not at all Mr. Joel's idea. He has broken out into print this morning and has said—"My horses have been harshly handicapped, especially in competition with the Frenchmen. I consider it an injustice against my whole stable. I do not like it at all. My horses have not been properly treated." His trainer, Earl, is even more forcible on the subject, and, with a sweeping gesture, declared that "it was perfectly ridiculous to handicap my horses like this. I am determined to show the official handicapper my dissatisfaction." It may be noted that Mr. Joel has left in Pando, who is not in the Moulton Paddocks stable, but is in the charge of C. Peck, who has just succeeded Charles Morton as Mr. J. B. Joel's trainer at Letcombe Regis.

It may be as well to wait for the acceptances before going too deeply into the Lincolnshire weights. Some of them are the subject of a good deal of dissatisfaction, and only time will prove whether the handicapper or his critics are right. Personally I cannot quite understand why Dawson City, who only won a single race in England last year, and that not a very important one, should be bracketed as good as, and given the same weight as, Tapin, the winner of the French Two Thousand Guineas. The experiences of last season showed that the French form has to be taken at its face value, and for handicapping purposes considered as good as our own. Tapin, for all we know, may be a moderate horse, but it is a little unsafe to assume that he is. At any rate, he has won a classic race, which is far more than Dawson City has ever done. Another classic winner who seems let in lightly is Lord Glanely's Grand Joy, who crossed to the Curragh last spring and captured the Irish Two Thousand Guineas. After that he was difficult to train last season, but on his Curragh form he must be regarded as well in the race.

GOOD POINTS IN THE HANDICAPPING.

There are several good points in Mr. Rowland Leigh's handicap. There were a few horses whom most of us noted running in the back-end races which were not a great deal fancied to win any of those events, either because the going was considered too soft or too hard as the case might be, or because their trainer had not got them quite to his liking. Their connections expected to see them dropped a few pounds in the handicap, but in point of fact they have gone up a few pounds, as Mr. Leigh does not appear to have taken the running quite at its face value. These I expect to find among the non-acceptors on Wednesday next.

In the course of the next few days Mignault and the rest of Sir Edward Edgar's horses wanted for running on the flat will leave St. Giles for their new quarters at Tern Hill, and we shall watch the Lincolnshire work of Mignault with a good deal of interest. Captain Davis, I do not think, has a regular jockey now, for Smirke, who took a good deal of his riding last season, is now first jockey to Dawson Waugh's stable. It is possible that Donoghue might be induced to take the mount on Mignault, for he has a very considerable opinion of the Irish horse.

Sir Edward Edgar is not too well satisfied with the 12st. 7lb. allotted to his horse, Silvo, in the Grand National. He expected at least three or four pounds less. He told me yesterday that he intends to run the horse in the Stewards' Steeplechase at Gatwick next Wednesday, when he will be ridden by F. B. Rees. Silvo has only been in strong work for a fortnight after having been let down for a couple of months, but, as the opposition with which he will be confronted will not be very strong, he should give a good account of himself. I was inclined last week to discount the very definite statement made that Rees would ride Silvo in the Grand National. Rees made the following statement on the subject to-day:—"It must not be presumed that my National mount will be Silvo. If Poole in his preparation of his Aintree candidates finds one that would give me a sporting chance I might have to forego the ride on Sir Edward Edgar's horse. There are few other horses in the race with whom at the moment I would like to change."

ALCAZAR NOT TO RUN.

It was stated here a week ago that Alcazar was unlikely to run, and his owner a day or two ago made an official statement to that effect. The hopes of the stable would therefore seem to repose in Rathory, who has been given plenty of weight by the handicapper. I do not, however, hear anything at present tending to encourage anyone to support Rathory just now. I imagine, too, that Poole has no aspirations towards winning the next Grand National with Tullylost, while he has not put in Manby Gate, of whom such great things were hoped once. Since discussion on the Grand National weights began no one seems to look further than Silvo, Fly Mask, and Conjuror II. in their efforts to suggest the likely winner, and it is to be supposed that this trio will monopolise most of the early betting.

We saw a Grand National candidate run very well at Kempton Park yesterday. This was none other than our old friend Gerald L. His trainer had told me earlier in the week that the horse had never been better in himself, and he looked a picture in the paddock—as fresh and as bright as he has ever been in the course of his distinguished career. For a horse who is manifestly backward in condition he ran extremely well over the two-and-a-half miles of the Cranford Steeplechase, finishing a respectable third to Clashing Arms and Bright's Boy, with such as Hawker, Potheen, and Le Cellier behind him. He pulled up sound, too, and if Gwilt can only keep him sound we shall look forward to a good performance from him at Liverpool. Everyone loves Gerald L., and a victory for him in the Grand National would be immensely popular.

A GOOD DAY'S RACING.

We had quite the best day's racing seen so far this season at Kempton, and although there was a lowering sky the rain fortunately kept off. Clashing Arms was at his best in the Cranford Steeplechase, showing less than his usual impetuosity and measuring every fence perfectly.

It is always a delight to watch Clashing Arms galloping at the head of his field and skimming over his fences, and on Saturday he was more attractive even than usual. He never put a foot wrong, made all the running, and beat Bright's Boy rather comfortably by three parts of a length. It was a fine performance, for he was carrying top weight in sticky going and over a distance that is just beyond his best.

There was some talk of a protest after the race, for Anthony did not give W. W. Beasley too much room on Bright's Boy when he tried to come through on the rails before jumping the second last fence. Indeed, for a moment Beasley looked rather like going over the rails. No protest, however, was made, and the race remained with Colonel Anthony's horse. Hawker, who was fancied, never warmed to his work at all, and occupied an inconspicuous position all the way. Potheen made a mistake which cost him a lot of ground, and Beggar's End was brought down.

Quite the best race of the day was that for the Novices' 'Chase, which Aisle, a horse whom his owner hunted in Norfolk for a couple of seasons before he put him into training, won by three parts of a length and a half a length from Don Quichotte and Roman Candle. It was a splendid contest between the three, for after Aisle had made a bad blunder at the last fence he made a wonderful recovery, and T. Leader, riding a very powerful finish, brought him again to get up and run the others out of it. Although he may not be in the first flight over hurdles, Leader is a fine steeplechase horseman and easily the most promising of the younger generation. Roman Candle is an attractive four-year-old, and a late foal at that, which Frank Hartigan ran here, and this son of Skyrocket did so well that he promises to develop into a nice 'chaser.

Captain Birkbeck, the owner of Aisle, won the match against Ned Carver on his own horse, Pirnwinder. Mr. Filmer Sankey rode old Ned Carver, on whom odds were laid, and he adopted L. B. Rees's tactics of waiting with the horse until the last fence, and then coming with a burst of speed. He may have waited a little too long here, for Ned Carver was just run out of it by Pirnwinder, who had led all the way. For some reason or other the public do not seem to like these matches, and one or two people were noisily abusive round the weighing room after this contest. Captain Birkbeck trains Pirnwinder himself, but he sent him to Leader a week or so ago for a sharpening-up gallop.

A FAVOURITE BEATEN.

Royal Edgar was made favourite for the Staines Steeplechase, but he was easily beaten eight lengths by White Swan. Rathluck made the running until they were approaching the straight, when he dropped out and finished last. Golden Brick, who was not so good a favourite as Martinique for the Brentford Hurdle, had no difficulty in beating Festoon by six lengths, the favourite just missing a place. Old Chaltoi was an easy winner of the Fulwell Selling Hurdle, beating Werwolf by eight lengths. After Black Jerry had won the other selling hurdle his owner had to go to 420 gns to buy him in.

What promises to be a splendid week's racing begins to-morrow afternoon at Nottingham, where I expect EMPHATIC to win the Harrington Hurdle Handicap, and DARRAGH the Annesley Hurdle. MAY KING, who was unlucky at Windsor, may win the Wollaston Steeplechase.

GALTEE MORE.

KEMPTON PARK RESULTS.

1.30—FULWELL SELLING HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. Second receives 15 sovs., third 10 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. E. Martin's b. or br. g. CHALTOI, by Santoi—Chateureuxnetta, a, 12-0 ...F. Wootton 1
Mr. E. Burry's WERWOLF, 6, 11-4 ...J. Kelly 2
Miss K. V. Ellison's KING GEORGE, a, 12-0 Mr. Rayson 3
Also ran—Manrico (G. Duller), Konky (A. Escott), Mamounie (Owner). Off 1.30. (Winner trained by E. Martin.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—11 to 10 agst. CHALTOI, 2 to 1 Manrico, 7 to 1 King George, 10 to 1 any other.
"Sporting Life"—11 to 10 agst. CHALTOI, 2 to 1 Manrico, 7 to 1 King George, 10 to 1 any other.
Won by eight lengths; same.
Konky was fourth, and Mamounie last.
There was no bid for the winner.

2.0—STAINES' STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Second 25 sovs., third 10 sovs. 3 m.
Sir E. Edgar's br. g. WILD SWAN, by Call o' the Wild—Neobule, 5, 11-0 ....W. Beasley 1
Mr. H. Hirst's ROYAL EDGAR, a, 12-3 F. Rees 2
Mr. A. D. C. Halford's FRENCH LEAVE, 6, 12-3 ....W. Gurney 3
Also ran—Rathluck (Mr. H. Brown), Far Flight (J. P. Kelly), Two Step III. (R. Burford). Off 2.2. (Winner trained by Whitaker.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—2 to 1 agst. Royal Edgar, 11 to 4 Rathluck, 4 to 1 each WILD SWAN and French Leave, 100 to 8 any other.
"Sporting Life"—2 to 1 agst. Royal Edgar, 5 to 2 Rathluck, 4 to 1 each WILD SWAN and French Leave, 100 to 8 any other.
Won by eight lengths; a bad third. Two Step III. was fourth, and Rathluck last.

2.35—EGHAM FOUR-YEAR-OLD SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. Second 15 sovs., third 10 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. F. N. Smith's br. or bl. g. BLACK JERRY, by Jeremiah—Corriegarth, 10-9 ...A. Smyth 1
Sir H. Bird's SOUTHOVER, 10-11 R. Gordon 2
Miss M. Hunt's RED BEAVER, 10-11 W. Speck 3
Also ran—Over (G. Duller), Bayreuth (F. Wootton), Farce (T. Leader), Boult (D. Dick), My Joy (G. Pellerin), Psycho (P. Allden), Lynxeyed (F. Fitton). Off 2.36. (Winner trained by Smyth.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—5 to 2 agst. Bayreuth, 7 to 2 BLACK JERRY, 8 to 2 Southover, 7 to 1 Boult, 10 to 1 Over, 100 to 8 any other.
"Sporting Life"—5 to 2 agst. Bayreuth, 3 to 1 BLACK JERRY, 5 to 1 Southover, 7 to 1 Boult, 10 to 1 any other.
Won by four lengths; eight lengths. Farce was fourth, and My Joy last.
The winner was bought in for 420 gns.

2.55—CRANFORD HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 350 sovs. Second 35 sovs., third 15 sovs. 2½ m.
Lt.-Col. W. S. Anthony's br. g. CLASHING ARMS, by St. Martin—Glen Inch, a, 12-8 J. Anthony 1
Lady Edgar's BRIGHT'S BOY, 6, 11-8 W. Beasley 2
Major F. Scott Murray's GERALD L., a, 12-4 I. Morgan 3
Also ran—Hawker (E. Doyle), Beggar's End (G. Tighe), Le Cellier (L. Rees), Priority (M. Moroney), Silver Hackle (R. Trudgill), Potheen (G. Trustove). Off 2.56. (Winner trained by Hon. A. Hastings.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—7 to 2 agst. CLASHING ARMS, 5 to 1 each Hawker, Bright's Boy, and Potheen, 6 to 1 Le Cellier and Beggar's End, 10 to 1 any other.
"Sporting Life"—100 to 30 agst. CLASHING ARMS, 5 to 1 each Hawker and Bright's Boy, 11 to 2 Le Cellier, 6 to 1 each Beggar's End and Potheen, 10 to 1 any other.
Won by three-parts of a length; eight lengths. Potheen was fourth, and Le Cellier last.

3.15—MATCH of 100 sovs. each. Amateur riders. Over steeplechase course. 2½ m.
Captain O. Birkbeck's br. g. PIRNWINDER, by General Gough—Dorothy Perkins, a, 12-0 Owner 1
Mr. E. H. Tattersall's NED CARVER, a, 12-0 Mr. Filmer Sankey 2
Off 3.20. (Winner trained by Owner.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—7 to 4 on Ned Carver.
"Sporting Life"—7 to 4 on Ned Carver.
Won by a length and a half.

3.40—NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Second 25 sovs., third 10 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. O. Birkbeck's ch. g. AISLE, by Young Pegasus—Eparcette, 6, 12-2 ...T. Leader 1
Sir E. Edgar's DON QUICHOTTE II., 5, 12-3 W. Beasley 2
Mr. V. T. Thompson's ROMAN CANDLE, 4, 10-9 ....F. Rees 3
Also ran—Cumether (G. Goswell), Uncle Jack (L. Rees), Tomahawk (A. Piper), Condobolin (H. Raymond), March On (I. Morgan), Boy Mac (H. Smallpiece), Wooer (W. Speck). Off 3.43. (Winner trained by T. Leader.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—5 to 2 agst. AISLE, 3 to 1 Don Quichotte II., 7 to 2 Roman Candle, 10 to 1 any other.
"Sporting Life"—11 to 4 agst. AISLE, 3 to 1 each Don Quichotte II. and Roman Candle, 10 to 1 any other.
Won by three parts of a length; half a length. March On was fourth, and Boy Mac last.

4.10—BRENTFORD HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. Second 15 sovs., third 10 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's b. g. GOLDEN BRICK, by Lomond—Monaleen, 5, 10-12 ...A. Piper 1
Mr. F. H. W. Cundell's FESTOON, 5, 11-5 J. Waugh 2
Mrs. J. Howeson's BRANDYBALL, 6, 11-4 T. Carey 3
Also ran—Martinique (S. Ingham), Selanta (J. Anthony), Carthage (G. Duller), Moseley (R. Burford), Drive On (E. Gurney), Red Lance (Owner), Survivor (F. Brookes). Off 4.10. (Winner trained by W. Nightingall.)
Betting—"Sporting Chronicle"—100 to 30 agst. Martinique, 9 to 2 each GOLDEN BRICK and Carthage, 5 to 1 each Drive On and Festoon, 100 to 8 any other.
"Sporting Chronicle"—100 to 30 agst. Martinique, 4 to 1 each GOLDEN BRICK and Carthage, 5 to 1 each Festoon and Drive On, 100 to 8 any other.
Won by six lengths; eight lengths. Martinique was fourth and Drive On last.

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Louvima and Ballinode have been sent from F. Morgan's stable to meet their engagements at Nottingham.

Whilst running in the January Hurdle Race at Leopardstown on Saturday, Red Hussar broke a leg and was destroyed.

The scratching of Lighthouse from the Lincolnshire Handicap leaves Mr. A. J. Ash with Hurrybelle as his only candidate. H. Leader, the trainer, also has in his stable Grave Fairy, who finished third last year, and who belongs to Mr. J. J. McAuley.

The scratching of Pondoland, Evander, Green Fire and Pasha at 10 p.m. on Friday out of the Lincolnshire Handicap leaves Mr. Sol Joel with only Pando to represent him in the big Carholme race. Pando, who is a four-year-old by Pommern—Gonrouli, won one race in five attempts last year. His weight in the Lincolnshire Handicap is 6st. 13lb.

Jockeys' Mounts at Nottingham to-day:—Newark Steeplechase—Perforce (F. B. Rees), Our Queen (Lefebvre), Merry Chap (C. Donnelly). Harrington Hurdle—Puck (A. Escott), False Report (F. B. Rees), Mansfield 'Chase—Kirkwhelpington (Burford), Condor (F. Gurney), How Nice (C. Donnelly), Harrismith (F. Brookes). Annesley Hurdle—Golden Ashe (J. Anthony). Wollaston 'Chase—Marston Moor (J. Anthony), Phantom Fox (F. Gurney).

In the presence of Mr. Sanford, G. Blackwell sent Sergeant Murphy (A. Escott) and Dritter (G. Calder) a good gallop over fences on the Links' Course at Newmarket, yesterday morning. Possibly A. Escott will have the mount on Sergeant Murphy in the Grand National, but nothing definite has as yet been decided.

LEOPARDSTOWN.

GRAND NATIONAL CANDIDATES ON VIEW.

BALLYMACRORY'S FORWARD RUNNING.

It was particularly unfortunate that the unfavourable weather on Saturday should have acted as such a spoil-sport to the racing at Leopardstown. An excellent programme had been prepared, and seventy-six horses were on the spot to compete in the five races which made up the card, but the heavy downpours during the morning left the course and surroundings in such a muddy state as to make matters most unpleasant for the company present, and to render the running in the various races of a fluky nature. Despite all the unfortunate circumstances, the racing turned out of a very attractive character, and the presence of two of our Irish-trained candidates for the Grand National, in the Glencairn Steeplechase, was an important event enough in itself.

Max, who, on the occasion of his first attempt at the big Aintree race, gave a very fine showing, was unable to run last season, but having now fully recovered from the mishap which befell him a year ago strong hopes are entertained that Mrs. Croft's horse will worthily represent Irish interests at Liverpool. It cannot be said that his running on Saturday encouraged such hopes, for, after jumping in his usual flippant style and galloping freely for about two miles, he failed to keep with the others and was shortly afterwards eased up. Naturally, one would not have expected him to be in a very forward condition just now, in view of his preparation for the National, nearly two months hence, and another factor greatly against him was the deep going through which he had to carry his big impost, so it would be idle to judge his prospects solely on this race.

Ballymacrory, the other Grand National entrant from Ireland, on the other hand, put up a very convincing performance in finishing second, only beaten a length by Parkaneska, who was in receipt of 19lbs, and this achievement is certain to gain many admirers for Mr. Ross's horse at Liverpool, where he will be meeting Max on slightly better terms. The closing stages of Saturday's race were confined to Parkaneska and Ballymacrory, and, though the National candidate struggled on gamely to gain the mastery, the difference in weight told its tale, and Parkaneska, who was ridden in capable style by his owner, Mr. S. H. Dennis, refusing to be shaken off, passed the judge's box a length in front.

Although nineteen horses turned out for the Paddock Hurdle race there were only four horses backed to any extent, these being Explanation, Fethernadale, South Pole and Abdulla, and three of these were also concerned with the finish. A long way from home South Pole, Fethernadale and Explanation were out clear in front of the others, and Explanation, always travelling the easiest, ultimately won in comfortable style from Fethernadale.

Another big field of runners for the Selling Hurdle race, which was an event of a more open character and provided a very fine finish between Pullman and Perfect Knight, of which the former got the better by half a length of the fancied candidates for this. Petit Beau, who filled third berth, made the best showing, but never looked like troubling the winner, who, when subsequently submitted to auction, failed to elicit a bid.

Backers, who had, on the whole, a disappointing experience, had one of their worst reverses over the Foxrock Steeplechase, for which Newtown Park and Charabanc were both strongly fancied. Charabanc came to grief at the initial fence, and Newtown Park, when leading the field at the end of a mile, also came down, subsequent to which the outsider, Treble Applause, had a smooth journey to the winning post. The Dundrum Flat Race, which catered for amateur riders also, attracted a big field, sixteen runners going to the post, and was won by Mr. J. J. Barry's Jerpoint, ridden by his owner. Jerpoint now is trained by F. Moragn, who has sent Ballinode and Louvima to run at Nottingham this week. Details:—

2.15—THE PADDOCK HANDICAP HURDLE PLATE of 100 sovs. 1½ m.
Mr. P. Rogers's br. g. EXPLANATION, by By George—Waveoff, a, 11-13 ...D. Ward 1
Mr. E. Trainor's FETHERNADALE, 6, 10-3 Jos. Doyle 2
Mr. P. J. Lenehan's LITTLE NELL, 6, 10-6 K. Lenehan 3
Mr. D. W. Barnett's Ulster Division, a, 12-2 P. Grace 0
Mr. W. J. Parkinson's Bawn-na-Glas, 5, 11-11 C. Malion 0
Mr. Jos. Walshe's Quarry Boy, 5, 11-9 Mr. C. Brabazon 0
Mr. A. M'Cann's Borora, 6, 11-9 ...W. Horan 0
Colonel MacCabe's Most Noble, 6, 11-7 ...Colahan 0
Mr. J. P. Taaffe's Garrymore, a, 11-3 J. Banahan 0
Mr. T. Singleton's Cioniara, 5, 11-0 ...J. Moloney 0
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's South Pole, 6, 10-11 Jos. Canty 0
Mr. R. J. Duggan's Abdulla, 4, 10-7 J. Hogan, jun. 0
Mr. W. A. Wallis's Tommy Lad, a, 10-6 J. Moylan 0
Mr. M. J. Farrell's Miss Druce, 6, 10-5 J. Manly 0
Mr. S. Grehan's Clonmeen's Pet, 4, 10-0 J. Hunter 0
Mr. W. Coffey's No Joke, 5, 10-0 ...J. Meaney 0
Mr. W. O. Rourke's Carn, 5, 9-10 ...McCarthy 0
Mr. P. Glynn's Cappylass, a, 9-5 ...Jos. Delaney 0
Mr. E. J. Hope's Alaska, a, 9-7 ...M. Glennan 0
(Winner trained by M. Arnott.)
Betting—3 to 1 each agst. EXPLANATION and Fethernadale, 5 to 1 South Pole, 6 to 1 Abdulla, 100 to 8 any other.
South Pole led from Fethernadale, No Joke, Tommy Lad, Quarry Boy, Borora, Bawn-na-Glass, Abdulla and Cioniara until half a mile from home, when South Pole, Fethernadale and Explanation were clear of the others. Entering the straight Fethernadale drew to the front, but gave way at the last flight to Explanation, who won by five lengths; twenty lengths divided second and third. South Pole was fourth, Clonmeen's Pet fifth, Abdulla sixth, Most Noble seventh, and Cappylass next. Time—3 mins. 16 4-5 secs.

2.45—THE JANUARY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE of 100 sovs. 1½ m.
Mr. T. J. Mangan's ch. g. PULLMAN, by Hippeastrum—Puff-Puff, a, 10-8...J. Moylan 1
Mrs. M. Morgan's PERFECT KNIGHT, a, 10-9 J. Hogan, jun. 2
Captain Maher's PETIT BEAU, a, 10-13 Jos. Canty 3
Mr. W. J. Hilliard's Somerford, 5, 12-6...Owner 0
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's Suncircle, 5, 12-6 J. Hamilton 0
Mr. John Doyle's Tipperary Boy, 6, 12-0 Jos. Doyle 0
Mr. J. J. Parkinson's Templelyon, 5, 11-7 C. Malion 0
Mr. R. C. Ross's Castle Dodd, a, 10-12 K. Lenehan 0
Mr. W. J. Corbett's All Pat, a, 11-0 Mr. J. W. Cleary 0
Mr. F. Burke's Silver Morsel, a, 11-0...W. Horan 0
Mr. A. Lowry's Amgoorie, 6, 10-9...P. O'Hara 0
Mr. M. Dawson's White Hill, 4, 10-7...M. Keogh 0
Mr. C. Fagan's Miss Miranda, a, 10-7 J. H. Harty 0
Mr. E. Delany's Generic, a, 10-5......M. Hynes 0
Mr. Jos. Whelan's Red Hussar, a, 9-12 Jos. Delaney 0
Mr. E. J. Hope's Prudent Lad, 4, 10-3......Kelly 0
Mr. T. Singleton's Heisdelite, a, 9-10...P. Higgins 0
Mr. T. Singleton's Hellican, 4, 9-9......Bradley 0
Mr. F. S. Myerscough's Brave Colleen, 4, 10-0 J. Meaney 0
Mr. A. Martin's May Ellen, 5, 10-0...McCarthy 0
(Winner trained by Owner.)
Betting—4 to 1 each agst. Petit Beau and Brave Colleen, 5 to 1 each Tipperary Boy and Templelyon, 6 to 1 Perfect Knight, 8 to 1 PULLMAN, 10 to 1 May Ellen, 100 to 8 any other.
Pullman settled down from Generic, Heisdelite, Perfect Knight, Brave Colleen, May Ellen and Prudent Lad for half way, when Pullman was attended by Perfect Knight, May Ellen, Brave Colleen and Petit Beau. Entering the straight, May Ellen was in advance of Pullman, Perfect Knight, Petit Beau and Brave Colleen, and taking command at the last flight Pullman won by half a length; six lengths separated second and third. May Ellen was fourth, Prudent Lad fifth, Templelyon sixth, and Brave Colleen next. Time—3 mins. 28 1-5 secs.
There was no bid for the winner.

3.15—THE GLENCAIRN HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 3 m. 100 yds.
Mr. S. H. Dennis's ch. g. PARKANESKA, by Book, dam by Oriolus, 6, 10-2......Owner 1
Mr. R. C. Ross's BALLYMACRORY, a, 11-7 J. Moylan 2
Mr. T. O'Rourke's PRIDE OF DELVIN, a, 10-4 D. Ward 3
Mrs. Croft's Max, a, 12-7......J. Hogan, jun. 0
Mr. R. J. Duggan's Rathcreevagh, a, 12-0 Morgan 0
Mrs. Croft's Golden Street, a, 11-7......P. Powell 0
Mr. J. Kiernan's Royal Dennis, 6, 10-6 McCarthy 0
Mr. M. Rallesty's Rathdrin, a, 10-3...J. Meaney 0
Mr. E. Brophy's Flying Laddie, a, 9-11 C. Malion 0
Captain P. H. M'Laughlin's Game Greek, a, 9-8 Mr. A. Nuttall 0
Mrs. T. W. Price's Perhaps No, a, 9-7 Mr. P. J. Osborne 0
(Winner trained by R. Fetherstonhaugh.)
Betting—5 to 2 agst. Ballymacrory, 3 to 1 Royal Dennis, 4 to 1 Pride of Delvin, 6 to 1 Golden Street, 10 to 1 PARKANESKA or any other.
Game Greek came on from Flying Laddie, Perhaps No, Parkaneska, Ballymacrory, Royal Dennis, Rathcreevagh, Pride of Delvin, Max, Golden Street and Rathdrin for half way, when Game Greek fell and Perhaps No was eased up, and Pride of Delvin led from Flying Laddie, Rathdrin, Ballymacrory, Parkaneska, Royal Dennis and Golden Street. Max was pulled up a mile from home, when Ballymacrory was in front of Rathdrin, Pride of Delvin and Royal Dennis, and in a good finish Parkaneska beat Ballymacrory by a length; ten lengths separated second and third. Rathdrin was fourth, Royal Dennis fifth, Golden Street sixth, and Flying Laddie next. Time—7 mins. 23 2-5 secs.

3.45—THE FOXROCK STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Weight for age, etc. 2 m. 176 yds.
Mr. F. Rogers's b. c. TREBLE APPLAUSE, by Eris—Three Cheers, 5, 11-7......Brown 1
Mr. J. Lang's CORONER'S GIFT, 6, 12-0 Harty 2
Mr. T. Singleton's DINIA, a, 12-7 ...P. Higgins 3
Mr. M. Quinn's Charabanc, a, 12-2 Mr. Quinn 0
Mrs. J. H. C. Bartholomew's Gutter Snipe, 6, 11-5......Duffy 0
Mr. H. L. Ussher's Eager Damsel, a, 12-0 F. Powell 0
Mr. W. A. Wallis's Newtown Park, a, 12-0 Lynch 0
Mr. B. Macabe's Irish Victory, 5, 11-7 W. Horan 0
Mr. T. Waters's Killucan Earl, 5, 11-3 Mr. Whelan 0
Mr. A. M'Cann's Tony Lad, 5, 11-7...M. Keogh 0
(Winner trained by M. Arnott.)
Betting—5 to 2 agst. Newtown Park, 4 to 1 Charabanc, 6 to 1 each Dinia, Eager Damsel and Gutter Snipe, 10 to 1 TREBLE APPLAUSE or any other.
Charabanc fell at the first fence, and Newtown Park went on from Killucan Earl, Eager Damsel, Treble Applause, Coroner's Gift, Gutter Snipe, Irish Victory, with Dinia last, until a mile from home, when Newtown Park fell, and Eager Damsel led from Treble Applause, Coroner's Gift, Killucan Earl and Gutter Snipe. Half a mile from home Killucan Earl fell, and Treble Applause, taking the lead from Coroner's Gift, Dinia and Irish Victory, won by twelve lengths; a short head separated second and third. Gutter Snipe was fourth, Tony Lad fifth and Eager Damsel next. Others eased up. Time—4 mins. 58 secs.

4.15—THE DUNDRUM FLAT RACE of 100 sovs. A weight for age flat race, 2 m. 78 yds.
Mr. John J. Barry's ch. g. JERPOINT, by Riot's Pride—Mithris, 5, 12-3......Owner 1
Mr. T. G. Dillon's MYRA, a, 12-7 Mr. P. J. Lenehan 2
Capt. B. R. Brassey's DRUMLASSIE, 5, 12-12 Mr. H. M. Hartigan 3
Mr. R. Cargill's Tallie, 6, 12-7......Maj. Scott 0
Mr. B. Delaney's Brugh-na-Boinne, a, 12-7 Mr. Dennis 0
Mr. H. Keane's Sweet Home, a, 12-3 Mr. J. W. Cleary 0
Mr. E. J. Byrne's Bennett's Bridge, a, 12-3 Mr. Clarke 0
Mr. T. O'Rourke's Sleebawn, 6, 12-1......Owner 0
Mr. C. Byrne's Snipe, a, 12-2......Mr. McGrane 0
Mr. W. B. Hayes's Lady Boveen, 6, 12-2 Mr. Bartholomew 0
Mr. J. H. Wallace's Mrs. Jiggs, a, 12-7 Owner 0
Mr. L. S. Ward's Golden Promise, a, 12-7 Owner 0
Mr. J. C. Browne's Little Perce, 4, 11-7 Owner 0
Mrs. T. O'K. White's Kiltaghan, 4, 11-7 Mr. Malone 0
Mr. F. Colgan's Icy Jim, 5, 11-2 Mr. P. J. Osborne 0
Mr. M. M'Donogh's Axcida, 5, 12-2 Mr. Hilliard 0
(Winner trained by F. Morgan.)
Betting—6 to 4 agst. Drumlassie, 5 to 1 each JERPOINT and Tallie, 6 to 1 each Sweet Home and Golden Promise, 100 to 8 any other.
Kiltaghan led from Little Perce, Myra M., Axcida, Golden Promise, Jerpoint, Drumlassie, Brugh-na-Boinne, Bennett's Bridge last, until three-quarters of a mile from home, where Tallie was in advance of Jerpoint, Golden Promise, Drumlassie and Myra M. Approaching the straight Jerpoint took the lead, attended by Golden Promise and Drumlassie, and won by eight lengths; four lengths separated second and third. Golden Promise was fourth, Tallie fifth, Lady Boveen sixth, Brugh-na-Boinne seventh and Axcida next. Time—4 mins. 45 secs.

"FORM" HORSES.

NOTTINGHAM.

1.15—Blacking.
1.45—Heathencote.
2.15—Emphatic.
2.45—Denikin.
3.15—Darragh.
3.45—May King.
Double—Heathencote (nap) and Darragh.

A Student of Form.

BETTING FORECAST.

NOTTINGHAM.

1.15 Race—6 to 4 agst. Blacking, 3 to 1 Page, 4 to 1 Wee Mon, 11 to 2 Bold Buck, 6 to 1 Munster's Pride, 7 to 1 Lady Jaquenetta, 8 to 1 Landman, 10 to 1 any other.

1.45 Race—11 to 4 agst. Heathencote, 7 to 2 the Saint IV., 9 to 2 Have a Care, 5 to 1 Perforce, 7 to 1 each Equancourt and Turbit, 8 to 1 each Helmet and Ballymackney, 10 to 1 each Fitzpicton and Ballyheen, 100 to 8 any other.

2.15 Race—3 to 1 agst. Emphatic, 4 to 1 Puck, 9 to 2 Halberdier, 11 to 2 False Report, 6 to 1 Chiltington, 7 to 1 Honeycomb, 8 to 1 each Jort and Rackway, 10 to 1 each Celtic Mist and Herne the Hunter, 100 to 8 Broxa, 100 to 7 any other.

2.45 Race—5 to 2 agst. Condor, 7 to 2 Denikin, 9 to 2 Southern Gleam, 5 to 1 Harrismith, 7 to 1 Slovenly Saint, 8 to 1 each Gardenrath and How Nice, 10 to 1 each Auchinrossie and Snapper, 100 to 8 any other.

3.15 Race—7 to 4 agst. Darragh, 9 to 2 George Drake, 6 to 1 Noir, 7 to 1 Brixton, 8 to 1 each Tibet and Lackey, 10 to 1 Rocking Horse, 100 to 8 King of Clubs, 100 to 7 any other.

3.45 Race—9 to 4 agst. May King, 3 to 1 Marston Moor, 4 to 1 Murky Past, 5 to 1 Apple Pie, 7 to 1 each Bruff Battle and Llyn Eigiau, 10 to 1 any other.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best—Southern Gleam. Double—Southern Gleam and Emphatic.
Daily News:—Double — Emphatic and Darragh.
Daily Express:—Double — Blacking and Emphatic.
Daily Mirror:—Double — Honeycomb and Darragh (nap).
Daily Graphic:—Double — Emphatic and Darragh.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

NOTTINGHAM MEETING.

Annesley Maiden Hurdle—Sandy Hook, Maureen Bawn.
Wollaston Maiden Steeplechase—Shaun Or.
Colwick Handicap Hurdle—Gold Willow and Snow Crest.
Stayers' Handicap Hurdle—Perry Hill.
Nottingham engagements—Manister Field.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Lincolnshire Handicap—Pondoland, Evander, Green Fire, and Pasha, at 10 p.m. on Friday; Lighthouse, at 9 a.m. on Saturday.
Four-Year-Old Handicap Hurdle, Gatwick—Edwin, Pomme de Guerre, and Prince Jerome.
February Handicap Hurdle, Manchester—Celestial, Major Ray and Glenfarg.
County Hurdle, Manchester—Mellbeck.
Doveridge Handicap Hurdle, Derby—Pasha.
Coventry Foxhunters' Steeplechase, Kempton—Dwarf of the Forest.
All engagements under N. H. Rules—Fly Fast, Bachelor's Point, Silver Chalice.
All engagements—Trajanus.

THIS WEEK'S RACING FIXTURES.

ENGLAND.

Monday and Tuesday—Nottingham.
Wednesday and Thursday—Gatwick.
Friday and Saturday—Sandown Park.
Friday and Saturday—Manchester.

POINT - TO - POINT. CARLOW HUNT.
THURSDAY, APRIL 16.
Honorary Secretary—CAPTAIN THOMAS, CARLOW.

MORE RECORD-BREAKING IN THE UNITED STATES.

BOSTON, January 31.

Willie Plank again defeated the Italian, Frigerio, at Boston on Saturday in a 3,000 metre walk, his time being 12 mins. 52 4-5 secs. This time beats the world record for indoor walking set up by himself by 1 and 1-5 sec.

E. E. Myers, in a pole jumping competition, cleared 12 feet 10½ inches.

Nurmi, the Finn, won the two-mile run, but failed to lower the record.

SELECTIONS FOR NOTTINGHAM MEETING TO-DAY

PAPER.	1.15 RACE.	1.45 RACE.	2.15 RACE.	2.45 RACE.	3.15 RACE.	3.45 RACE.
Irish Times	Blacking.	Ballymackney.	Jort.	Snapper.	Darragh; if ab., Tibet.	Murky Past.*
S. Life and Sportsman	Page.	Flushed.	Emphatic.	Denikin.	Socrates.	Don Quichotte II.*
Man on the Spot	Louvima.	Turbit.	Puck.	Soldier Bill.	Darragh.*	Don Quichotte II.
Westminster Gazette	Nonentity.	Southern Gleam.	Emphatic.	Gerald Junior.	Darragh.	Don Quichotte II.; if ab., May King.
Daily News	Page.	Have a Care.	Emphatic.	Denikin.	Darragh.*	Apple Pie.
Daily Express	Blacking, next best.	The Saint IV.; if ab., Southern Gleam.	Emphatic.*	W. Payne's best; if ab., Gerald Junior.	George Drake; if ab., Theomine.	Apple Pie; if ab., May King.
Daily Mirror	Nonentity.	Ballyheen.	Honeycomb.	How Nice	Darragh.	Apple Pie.
Daily Graphic	Page.	Flushed.	Emphatic.	Gardenrath.	Darragh.*	May King.
Star	Nonentity.	The Saint IV.	Puck.	Condor.*	Darragh; Tibet, a place.	Apple Pie.
Evening News	Wee Mon.	Ballyheen.*	Jort.*	Gerald Junior.	George Drake.	Murky Past.
Evening Standard	Nonentity.	Royal Toy.	Jort.	Condor.	Heliaster.	H. A. Brown's best.
Daily Mail	Blacking.	Turbit.	Jort.	Southern Gleam.	Darragh.	Apple Pie.
Times	Page.	Perforce.	Jort.	Good Points; if ab., Condor.	Darragh.	Marston Moor.

NOTTINGHAM.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

Capital entries have been received for the Nottingham Meeting, which opens to-day, and although better sport is promised at the second stage of the fixture, visitors to Colwick Park on the first afternoon should be rewarded with racing of an enjoyable character. The best endowed event on the card is the Harrington Handicap Hurdle Race, in which Halberdier will probably essay the task of conceding weight all round, but his task is by no means an easy one. With 4lb. less than he is set to carry here, Halberdier was easily defeated by Ormada and Langlen at Leicester, but he had most consistent form to his credit earlier. He, however, does not appear to have very much in hand of Chiltington, who finished five lengths behind him at Derby, but who now has a pull of 14lb. in the weights. Emphatic appears to be a trifle over-rated, and I would rather take sides with the French-bred Jort, who was by no means disgraced when beaten by Tutankhamen and Wandering Monk on the occasion of his only appearance over hurdles. I give my vote in favour of Jort, expecting to see Rackway get placed. Selections:—

Trent Hurdle—Blacking.
Newark Steeplechase—Ballymackney.
Harrington Hurdle—Jort.
Mansfield Steeplechase—Snapper.
Annesley Hurdle—Darragh; if absent, Tibet.
Wollaston Steeplechase—Murky Past.*
DOUBLE—Murky Past and Blacking.

1.15—TRENT (S.) HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. Winner to be sold for £50. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
LOUVIMA (Mr. J. C. Bentley)......Owner a 12 0
JACKSDALE (Mr. Black) ......J. Lyall a 12 0
LANDMAN (Mr. C. M. Hennessey) McKenna a 12 0
BLACKING (Mr. M. B. Savill)......Savill a 11 10
PAGE (Mr. H. Sidebottom)......Kirk 6 11 10
(The above have arrived.)
WEE MON (Mr. J. Baylis)......Shedden a 12 0
BOLD BUCK (Mr. E. F. Davis)...J. Davis a 12 0
NONENTITY (Mr. C. M. Methven) Powell a 12 0
EASTERN VALLEY (Mr. E. G. Pease) Gilbert a 11 10
JABROK (Mr. G. T. Unwin)......Smallwood a 11 10
NOIR (Lady Zia Wernher)......Weatherill 5 11 10
MUNSTER'S PRIDE (Mr. L. Oppenheim) Barthropp 5 11 6
LADY JAQUENETTA (Mr. M. Cummins) Newey 4 10 10

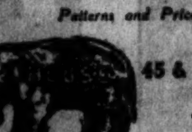
1.45—NEWARK (S.) HANDICAP 'CHASE of 250 sovs. Winner to be sold for £50. Second receives 5 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
SOUTHERN GLEAM (Mr. C. Green) C. Piggott a 12 6
HEATHENCOTE (7lb. ex.) (Mr. W. Parrish) R. Payne a 12 4
HAVE A CARE (7lb. ex.) (Maj. D. M. Methven) Powell a 12 0
NITRIC (Mr. A. Hood) ......Peacock a 11 7
VOCALION (Mr. W. Baker) ......J. Lyall 6 11 4
FLUSHED (Lt.-Col. E. C. M. Phillips) R. Payne a 11 3
(The above have arrived.)
TULLY (7lb. ex.) (Mr. H. Liddell) Woodland a 12 12
DEVONPORT (7lb. ex.) (Mr. F. Hartigan) F. Hartigan a 12 8
MASK MAN (Col. B. Fairfax) J. Wilson a 12 7
PERFORCE (Mr. T. Reed, jun.) J. Davis a 12 5
GLENGARRY II. (Mr. H. A. Brown) H. A. Brown a 12 3
AHMED KHAN (Mr. W. Black) J. Lyall 6 11 13
BALLYMACKNEY (Mr. W. G. Knight) E. Doyle a 11 10
LAYMAN (Mr. H. Cope) ......Shedden a 11 8
FITZPICTON (Capt. H. C. Davey) Goby a 11 6
ROYAL TOY (Mrs. Sanday)......Sanday a 11 6
HELMET (Mr. M. B. Sunderland) S. Bennet a 11 5
FAIR VIEW (Mr. J. W. Wood) Stanley a 11 5
BACHELOR'S BEVEL (Mr. W. Parrish) H. Harrison a 11 5
BALLYHEEN (Mr. R. Osborn) F. Lyall a 11 3
MERRY CHAP (Miss P. Jones) Sheridan a 11 2
OUR QUEEN (Mr. J. A. Gibson) Stubbs a 11 0
FINANCIER (Mr. J. Hutton) G. Poole a 10 13
CON CREGAN (Mr. H. A. Brown) H. A. Brown a 10 10
TURBIT (Mrs. N. S. Grit) ......Gilbert a 10 9
THE SAINT IV. (Mr. B. Warner) Bletsoe a 10 8
PAM NUT (Maj. R. Fenwick-Palmer) Palmer a 10 7
EQUANCOURT (Mr. D. Harrison) D. Harrison a 10 7
THE LOUT (Mr. S. Moore) ......Private 6 10 7
H.R.H. (Mr. Dawson) ......Bellerby a 10 5
COMMAND (Mr. Adam Scott)......A. Scott a 10 4
CAPLAN (Mr. J. J. Emberson) Turnbull a 10 4

2.15—HARRINGTON HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 300 sovs. Second receives 30 sovs. and third 10 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
HALBERDIER (Mr. W. Whitehead) R. Payne a 12 7
EMPHATIC (Mrs. H. McKenna) McKenna a 12 5
JORT (Lt.-Col. C. W. Birkin)...C. Leader 6 12 5
PUCK (Mrs. A. H. Wheeler) ......Kirk a 11 11
HONEYCOMB (Mr. H. Tait) McCormack a 10 10
BROXA (Mr. J. Patrick) ......Bedford a 10 7
(The above have arrived.)
CHILTINGTON (Mr. R. B. Thompson) Thompson 6 12 5
HERNE THE HUNTER (Maj. H. A. Wernher) Weatherill 6 12 10
MAJOR RAY (Mr. P. Monahan) Coulthwaite 5 11 10
ROCK ARROW (Sir Francis Price) Gilbert 6 11 5
FALSE REPORT (Mr. J. Holmes) D. Harrison a 11 3
RACKWAY (Ld. Coventry) ......Withington a 11 3
SIMON'S LIGHT (Mrs. C. Jones) Newey 6 11 1
CELTIC MIST (Mr. W. Green) Smallwood a 10 12
FORTUNE (Mr. H. Cope) ......Shedden a 10 0

2.45—MANSFIELD HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Second 10 sovs. 3 m. Age st. lb.
SNAPPER (Mr. W. Murray) McDougal a 12 3
SOUTHERN GLEAM (Maj. D. Methven) Powell a 11 7
LADY ALVEY (Mr. Deterding) R. Payne a 11 3
CONDOR (Capt. T. Stanyforth) Woodland a 11 2
SOLDIER BILL (Mr. A. Hood) ...Peacock a 11 1
KIRKWHELPINGTON (Comte C. Dentice di Frasso) ......Hastings a 10 5
(The above have arrived.)
HARRISMITH (Col. R. Birkin) W. Payne a 12 7
GOOD POINTS (Mr. W. Filmer-Sankey) H. A. Brown a 12 3
DENIKIN (Mrs. H. M. Hollins) W. Payne a 12 3
AUCHINROSSIE (Mr. K. Lennox) Stokes a 11 9
GERALD JUNIOR (Mr. H. Harrison) H. Harrison a 11 7
CUCKMERE LAD (Mr. Strange) Wilson a 11 7
SLOVENLY SAINT (Capt. Speed) Jackson a 11 4
GARDENRATH (Mr. Waring) S. Bennet a 11 2
VANESSA (Mr. G. Beeby) ......Beeby a 11 2
RATHMORE (Mr. A. Hood) ......Peacock a 10 13
SEE TOO (Mr. S. Banker) ......Orbell a 10 12
HOW NICE (Miss P. Jones) ......Sheridan a 10 11
MANBY GATE (Sir R. McAlpine) G. Poole a 10 10
SILVER SOMME (Mr. Hutton) ...G. Poole a 10 9
FOXFOOT (Mr. T. Laidlaw) ...Coulthwaite a 10 9
SOMEDAY (Capt. Thompson) ...Thompson a 10 8
SIDRO (Capt. A. Loewenstein) ...E. Doyle a 10 7
KAREL (Mr. G. T. Eton) ......Willett a 10 5
TWO STEP III. (Lord Howard de Walden) ......Hastings a 10 0
BACHELOR'S AGNES (Mr. C. Nicholson) Private a 10 0

3.15—ANNESLEY HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs., for horses which, to closing, have not won a hurdle race. Second 10 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
DARRAGH (Mr. T. Queen) ......Wylie 5 11 13
GOLDEN ASHE (Mr. H. B. Kenny) Hastings a 11 7
ROMAN ROAD (Mr. Mealings) Butchers a 10 8
BEECH-MARTIN (Mrs. Russell) T. Leader 4 10 5
(The above have arrived.)
NOIR (Lady Zia Wernher) ......Weatherill 5 11 10
FIRE WATER (Sir G. Abercromby) Jackson a 11 7
GRAND DUKE II (Mr. Aston) ...E. Doyle a 11 7
ROMAN FIDDLE (Mr. Crawford) ...Vasey a 11 7
LAMORNA (Mr. W. Filmer-Sankey) Barthropp a 11 7
SWEET CLEMATIS (Sir Lycett Green) Hammett a 11 7
KARELIA (Mr. G. W. Hands) ......Saxby a 11 7
HOPE DEFERRED (Capt. J. Harrison-Broadley) ......J. P. Wilson a 11 7
LEMSTAR (Mr. J. Hartley) ......Bazley a 11 7
MOIDORE (Mr. R. W. Merrell) Merrell a 11 7
WHOSE IZZY (Mr. C. M. Methven) Powell 6 11 7
SIR SIMON (Col. C. de Paravicini) Private a 11 7
SORREL (Mr. H. Dyke Dennis) D. Harrison a 11 7
BABY'S BOTTLE (Mr. R. Renton) Renton a 11 7
BALLYMACRORY (Mr. R. C. Ross) R. Moss a 11 7
FORNOVO (Mrs. Sanday) ......Sanday 6 11 7
WEATHERTIDE (Mrs. Adam Scott) A. Scott a 11 7
FELLOWSHIP (Mr. J. Settle) ...Bullock 6 11 7
THE JOKE (Mr. W. S. Smith) ...J. Lyall 6 11 7
SCAMP (Mr. F. Templeman) Templeman 6 11 7
GEORGE DRAKE (Mr. J. Graeme Thomson) ......F. A. Brown a 11 7
YOUNG POLE (Mr. G. T. Unwin) Smallwood a 11 7
CHIEFTAINESS (Mr. W. Waddington) Waddington 6 11 7
MARK ANTHONY II. (Mr. H. Abrahams) G. Poole 5 11 3
KING OF CLUBS (Mr. Bellerby) Bellerby 5 11 3
JOHN W. (Major T. Cavenagh)...Private 5 11 3
CAUCHEMAR (Mrs. A. Clark)...Private 5 11 3
MONK OF BLYTH (Lord Barnby) Westmorland 5 11 3
HELIASTER (Sir W. Cooke) Coulthwaite 5 11 3
PARK HOUSE (Mr. H. Dyke Dennis) D. Harrison 5 11 3
BATH OLIVER (Mr. H. Dyke Dennis) D. Harrison 5 11 3
TIBET (Mr. Hoboken) ......Knel 5 11 3
LEEDS UNITED (Mr. F. Martin)...Pope 5 11 3
POT O' CREAM (Mr. C. Methven) Powell 5 11 3
BRIXTON (Capt. Montagu) F. Hartigan 5 11 3
JEVINGTON LASS (Mr. Philip)...Philip 5 11 3
SILENT DOON (Mr. D. Power)...Luby 5 11 3
ROCK STORK (Mr. W. Ransom) Ransom 5 11 3
MACHALL (Mrs. M. Roberts)......Saxby 5 11 3
SHAGREEN (Mr. W. Webster) M'Kenna 5 11 3
FLYFAST (Mr. A. J. Ash)......H. Leader 4 10 5
THEOMINE (Lord Barnby)......Peacock 4 10 5
JACKEROO (Mr. G. T. Eaton)...Willett 4 10 5
TORSION (Mr. F. P. Finn) ......Toon 4 10 5
FAIR LASS (Sir Keith Fraser)...Fraser 4 10 5
PERUSIA (Major Gillian) ......M'Dougal 4 10 5
AEROSTAR (Mr. C. Green) ...C. Piggott 4 10 5
LACKEY (Mr. J. Hammond)......Gilbert 4 10 5
ROSSO (Mr. J. Hasnan) ......H. Leader 4 10 5
PREFACE (Mr. J. Holmes)...D. Harrison 4 10 5
PHALCES (Mr. Sol Joel)...Westmorland 4 10 5
SEEKER (Mr. T. M. Lofthouse)...Roberts 4 10 5
SOCRATES (Mr. M'Alpine)...H. Harrison 4 10 5
QUENTIN DURWARD (Mr. H. Newman) B. Piggott 4 10 5
KEROSENE (Major W. S. Powell)...Luby 4 10 5
FRONT ROW (Mr. W. Webster) M'Kenna 4 10 5
ROCKING HORSE (Sir Ernest Wills) De Winton 4 10 5
CLAROBIE (Sir E. Wills)...De Winton 4 10 5

3.45—WOLLATON STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. For horses which, to closing, have not won a steeplechase. Second receives 10 sovs. 3 m. Age st. lb.
OFF THE BAT (Mr. G. A. Butchers) Butchers 6 12 7
MARSTON MOOR (Mr. W. A. Bankier) Hastings a 12 0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PHANTOM FOX (Mr. H. Forster) Woodland 6 11 7
WHITE SPLASH (Mr. F. W. Parnell) R. Payne 5 11 2
(The above have arrived.)
MAY KING (Mrs. D. Coats)...McDougal 6 12 12
RATHLUCK (Ld. Londesborough) H. A. Brown a 12 7
DON QUICHOTTE II. (Sir E. Edgar) Whitaker 5 12 2
RADIANT RIVER (Mr. S. W. Beer) Leach, jun. 6 12 0
BRUFF BATTLE (Mrs. H. A. Brown) H. A. Brown 6 12 0
RED CONRAD (Mr. D. Crossman) Pope 6 12 0
EAGLE'S TAIL (Mr. J. Hartley) Bazley 6 12 0
FRUSCINO (Mr. W. Paul) ......Sanday a 12 0
CALTROP (Duchess of Westminster) McDougal a 12 0
MY HOBBY (Sir F. Price) ......Hackett 5 11 9
FAR FLIGHT (Mr. H. A. Brown) H. A. Brown a 11 7
HELIX (Mr. A. W. Huntington) Withington a 11 7
MURKY PAST (Mr. E. Osborn) F. Lyall 6 11 7
SIR SIMON (Col Sir C. de Paravicini) Private a 11 7
O'BRIGER (Col. G. Paynter) ...Chadwick 6 11 7
CAMPANOLOGIST (Mr W. F. Ransom) Ransom 6 11 7
PAUL (Mr. W. T. Sears) Westmorland a 11 7
ENNISCORTHY (Ld. Westmorland) Westmorland a 11 7
SHEILAH IX. (Capt. P. Williams) Saxby a 11 7
APPLE PIE (Sir E. Wills) ...De Winton 6 11 7
RED FRIAR (Capt. F. Brian Bibby) Westmorland a 11 7
DOLFECHEN (Mr R. Bromley) E. Doyle 6 11 2
DRUMHILL (Mr H. Deterding) R. Payne 6 11 2
RYSTLING (Mr. Emmerson) ...Turnbull 6 11 2
LLYN EIGIAU (Mr. Hoboken) ...Knel 5 11 2
IRISH DELIGHT (Mrs. M. Roberts) Saxby 5 11 2
CROSS HANDS (Ld. Westmorland) Westmorland 5 11 9
SCARCITY (Mrs. R. N. Willett) Willett 5 11 2
CORLACH (Mr. A. Barclay Walker) Coulthwaite 4 10 9
AMPULLA (Sir Lycett Green) Hammett 4 10 5
LADY PICTON II. (Mr. W. Philip) Philip 4 10 5
PONGO (Baron F. de Tuyll) F. Hartigan 4 10 5

GOLF.

CAMBRIDGE BADLY BEATEN.

Mid-Surrey can always field a strong side against the Universities, and though they were without the services of S. H. Fry, Douglas Grant, and other well-known players, they had several internationalists playing for them against Cambridge University at Mid-Surrey on Saturday. Play was by singles only, and the club won by nine matches to three. In the top match, T. H. Osgood (Cambridge) gave Major Heslet a hard match. He missed short putts at the fourth and fifth, but turned only 1 down. The match was square with three to go, but Heslet won the next two to win by 2 up. J. H. Taylor, jun., played finely against the Cambridge captain, W. F. Pharazyn, and, taking an early lead, won by 4 and 3.

ARMY TEAM AT WARLINGTON.

In a match by singles and foursomes on Saturday, the Royal Warlington and Newmarket Club halved with the Army Golfing Society on their own course. The singles were divided by three matches each, and both sides took two of the foursomes, so that on the day's play, the sides were level with five matches each.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY'S FINE WIN.

Oxford University, by defeating Woking, on the latter's course, on Saturday, by six matches to four, achieved a fine performance. The Oxford players adapted themselves to the conditions—a strong wind prevailed—better than their more experienced opponents. The Dark Blues' leader, R. Nall Cain, did very well to halve with Robert Harris. The latter lost four of the first five holes, due mainly to bad putting. In fact, throughout the match this was the one defect in his otherwise good golf. He made an excellent recovery by winning the eighth, ninth, tenth, and eleventh holes in 4's to assume the lead, but lost the next. At the fourteenth Cain, his brassie shot and carried the green, struck the club-house, and the ball rebounded behind a holly bush. Cain won the sixteenth and seventeenth for the lead again, but lost the eighteenth, and the match was halved.

FORTWILLIAM CLUB.

The annual meeting of the Fortwilliam Club (Belfast) was held on Saturday evening under the presidency of Mr. John Taylor (captain). During the year, it was stated, the course had been extended to 18 holes, and the club house was also enlarged, at a total cost of £3,600. There was a deficit of £1,461 at the end of the financial year, which necessitated an increase of 10/6 in the annual subscription. The Council decided to admit 100 new members during the coming year, and it was hoped that, with a drier season, a larger sum would be obtained from visitors' fees. Mr. James Bennett, a former member of the Council, and one of the representatives of the club in the Ulster Cup Competition last year, was elected captain. On the motion of Mr. James McCance, a cordial vote of thanks was accorded to Mr John Taylor for his services as captain during the past three years, and particularly for his efforts in securing the ground for the extension of the course. As a tribute to his work, he was elected a vice-president of the club. Mr. W. C. Watson was re-elected hon. treasurer, and Mr. James Campbell re-elected hon. secretary. Messrs. W. E. Topping and Jos. Osborne were elected hon. auditors. The following retiring members of the council were re-elected:—Messrs. H. Cumming, John Connolly, R. McKay, and T. Taylor.

DUN LAOGHAIRE (Ladies' Branch).—At the annual general meeting, held in the Clubhouse, the following officers were elected for the year:—Captain, Mrs. Healy; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. G. B. Moore; Committee—Miss Meldon (ex-officio), Mrs. Porteous, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Triston, Mrs. Miley, Mrs. McCormick. Thursday, February 5th—Medal. Draw at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

ST. ANNE'S.—Final of 1924 Monthly Cup, played on 25th January. Result:—A. B. Edwards (20), 69; M. Farrelly (18), 72.

LAWN TENNIS.

CANNES TOURNAMENT FINALS.

CANNES, February 1.

The following were the results of to-day's play in the Petropolis Lawn Tennis Club tournament finals:—

Ladies' Singles—Miss Ryan beat Mrs. Beamish—7-5, 6-3.

Men's Singles—Colonel Mayes beat Lord Cholmondeley—6-1, 6-1, 6-1.

Men's Doubles—C. F. Aeschliman and E. T. Lamb beat Bramo Hillyard and A. Wallis Meyers—6-3, 6-2, 6-3, 6-3.

Ladies' Doubles—Miss Ryan and Mlle. Vlasto beat Mrs. Satterthwaite and Mrs. Beamish—6-2, 6-3.

BOROTRA BEATEN.

PARIS, Sunday.

The second day of the qualifying matches for the French Covered Courts Lawn Tennis Championship provided a sensation, when the veteran, Gobert, beat the champion, Borotra, in a hard-fought contest, 7-5, 12-10, 3-6, 1-6, 6-4. Gobert's victory was all the more remarkable because during the past two years he has neglected tennis for golf. L. J. Aslangul beat the South African, P. D. B. Spence, 6-2, 7-5, 4-6, 6-2.

BOXING.

EUROPEAN FLY-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

Elkey Clark, of Glasgow, the British fly-weight champion and holder of the Lonsdale Belt, wrested the European title from Michael Montreuil, of France, at Glasgow on Saturday night. The early rounds were rather quiet, Montreuil landing light lefts to the face and countering with his right. Clark adopted a waiting policy, and was behind on points at the half-distance. The Scot asserted himself in the eleventh round and forced the Frenchman around the ring. Montreuil's eye was badly damaged in the fourteenth round, when he took severe punishment, and thereafter Clark forced the fight to secure the verdict on points.

ROWING.

COMMERCIAL CLUB.

A special general meeting of the above club will be held in the club house this evening at 8.30. Members kindly note.

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HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

February.	Meet.	Hour.
Wednesday, 4th	Dunboyne	1.30
Saturday, 7th	Priestown X-roads	1.30

THE KILDARE.

Monday, 2nd	Hollywood	11.0
Tuesday, 3rd	Sallins	11.0
Thursday, 5th	Davidstown X-roads	11.15
Saturday, 7th	Courtown Gate	11.0

THE MEATH.

Monday, 2nd	Beauparc	11.0
Tuesday, 3rd	Rathbeggan	11.0
Wednesday, 4th	Gibbstown	11.0
Thursday, 5th	Mountainstown	11.0
Friday, 6th	Laracor	11.0

FINGAL HARRIERS.—February—Tuesday, 3rd, Rathbeal; Friday, 6th, Malahow; Tuesday, 10th, 7th Milestone, Ashbourne road; Friday, 13th, Ardcath; Tuesday, 17th, Palmerstown; Friday, 20th, Lusk; Tuesday, 24th, Fieldstown Bridge; Friday, 27th, Springhill. At 12 o'clock.

BRAY HARRIERS.—February—Wednesday, 4th, Calary; Saturday, 7th, Shankill; Wednesday, 11th, Jumping Competition, Belvue, Delgany; Saturday, 14th, Greystones; Wednesday, 18th, Jumping Competition, Powerscourt; Saturday, 21st, Cabinteely; Wednesday, 25th, Newtownmountkennedy; Saturday, 28th, Powerscourt Arms, Calary; Thursday, 26th, Jumping Competition, Roundwood.

KILDARE HOUNDS.—Change of Meet—Thursday, 5th February, at Davidstown Cross-roads, instead of Meone, at 11.15 a.m.

IVEAGH HARRIERS.—February—Wednesday, 4th, Silverford; Saturday, 7th, Diamond; Wednesday, 11th, Mount Ida; Saturday, 14th, Sentry Box; Wednesday, 18th, Drumnavaddy Tom; Saturday, 21st, Poland's Bridge; Wednesday, 25th, Shanrod School; Saturday, 28th, Thornford Bridge. At 12 o'clock.

EAST GALWAY HOUNDS.—February—To-day, (Monday), 2nd, Johnstown House; Thursday, 5th, Aughrim; Monday, 9th, Green Door; Thursday, 12th, Fynagh; Tuesday, 17th, Kiltormer; Friday, 20th, Clonfert Cross; Tuesday, 24th, Shralea; Saturday, 28th, Moorefield. At 11 o'clock.

WEXFORD HOUNDS.—Change of Meets.—February—Tuesday, 3rd, Ballymitty; Friday, 6th, Ballysop; Tuesday, 10th, Killann; Friday, 13th, Tinnacarrig; Tuesday, 17th, Adamstown; Friday, 20th, Rosegarland; Tuesday, 24th, Ballyedon Cross-roads; Friday, 27th, Templeshelin. At 11 o'clock.

MOTOR CYCLING.

DUBLIN AND DISTRICT DINNER.

The annual dinner and distribution of prizes of the Dublin and District Motor Cycling Club, the nineteenth of the series, took place on Saturday evening at the Dolphin Hotel, with Mr. S. L. Hutchinson, the president of the club, in the chair. The company was one of the largest that the club's dinner has ever brought together, covers being laid for over one hundred, and most of the notable personalities in the motor cycling world were among those present. The Chairman was supported by Mr. E. H. Hill, the president of the Leinster Club, and Mr. E. F. Keatinge, the president of the Ramblers' and the Southern Centre of the Motor Cycle Union, and representatives of all of the Dublin clubs, as well as of the Drogheda and District Motor Cycle Club, were among the guests. The proceedings throughout were marked by the degree of liveliness which is characteristic of the club's social functions, and lasted until a late hour.

After the Chairman had given the sentiment of "Ireland," the toast of the Dublin and District Club was submitted by Mr. E. H. Hill. He said that the club had been the leader in the motor cycle movement in Dublin from the earliest period of the sport, and, at the end of nineteen years of its career, it was holding its own. It had done wonders in the promotion of the sport, and the present position of the pastime was due to its efforts and the fine spirit of sportsmanship it had set to the other clubs which followed it. Mr. W. H. Freeman, the hon. secretary, in replying, said that the club had been the means of giving to the sport many of its most notable figures, instancing C. B. Franklin, as an example, and he was glad to think its influence had permeated to the other clubs that followed it.

Mr. T. W. Murphy proposed the toast of the Chairman, and, in doing so, said that the best proof of the esteem in which Mr Hutchinson was held was to be found in the fact that it has recently re-elected him to his office for the sixth successive year. It was a characteristic of the club that its old members continued their allegiance to it long after they had ceased to take a part in its competitions, and Mr. Hutchinson's constancy was a factor to that end. In responding, Mr. Hutchinson thanked the company for the marked enthusiasm with which they drank the toast. The office of president of the "D and D." was one that anyone might be proud to fill, and his only regret was that he had not done as much as he would like to do for it.

The toast of "the visitors" was given by Mr. A. Carton, and Mr. E. F. Keatinge responded.

The pleasure of the evening was greatly enhanced by an excellent musical programme, to which the chief contributors were:—Messrs. Irvine Lynch, F. W. Sullivan, H. de Rossa, S. L. Hutchinson, R. O'Brien, I. Greene, A. Robinson and Fred Jeffs. Mr. Joseph Cusack was the accompanist.

In an interval during the proceedings the Chairman distributed the awards won in the past season's competitions. No less than one hundred and twenty-four prizes, in addition to a number of Cups, were presented, the chief winners of the latter being:—S. Wallace, Belfast (Freeman and Dunlop Cups), H. G. Ellerker (Triumph Cup), R. Humphreys (McAllister Cup), J. A. Carvill (F. J. Walker Cup), J. Browne (Carton and Jacob Cups), C. S. Maguire and J. H. Patton (tie for Roche Cup), G. V. Hookham (Campbell Cup), R. D. Cox (Judd Cup), and E. G. Stapleton (Waters Cup).

CHESS.

ARMSTRONG CUP.

On Saturday night sixteen chess enthusiasts mustered in the Carnegie Library, Blackrock, for several hours of the closest match play. The local team was in fuller strength than in any other match of the season, and it was no discredit to fall short of victory against the club which has an unrivalled record of Armstrong successes. Of the Sackville players, Messrs. Baker and Kane, having, by the rule of alternate boards, the opening move, adopted the Ruy Lopez in both cases with success over two very sound exponents of the game. Mr. Gerrard, who is now in the very front rank of Leinster players, happened to overlook one element in the attack which was being steadily massed against him, and in the hands of the old Sackville captain the advantage was irresistibly turned to account.

The two most obstinate games of the evening were those defended by Mr Barry against Mr. Varian and by Mr. Whelan against Mr. Gillespie. That such players as the last pair should sit at board six is the best indication of the strength of the contending teams. Both games remained undecided at the close of play, and will be resumed later. Mr. Sayers secured an advantage early in his game, and drew first blood for Sackville. The latter club cannot lose the match, and must win unless both games adjourned result adversely.

Sackville		Blackrock	
1. P. Baker	1	A. A. McDonagh	0
2. C. J. Barry	—	R. T. Varian	—
3. P. J. Kane	1	J. T. Gerrard	0
4. G. M. Hickey	½	C. Pearson	½
5. A. Sayers	1	W. Crawford	0
6. P. W. Whelan	—	P. J. Gillespie	—
7. H. G. Jacobs	0	H. F. Pearson	1
8. J. Taylor	½	W. F. Tonkin	½
(Present) Total ...	4		2

RUGBY.

ENGLAND v IRELAND.

THE IRISH TEAM.

TWO NEW CAPS.

It was evident to anyone who had followed the play in the trial games that the Irish Selection Committee would have one or two difficult problems to solve in picking the Irish team to play England at Twickenham on February 14th. At Belfast some of the old international backs had not acquitted themselves as well as some younger players who had not yet been selected to represent their country, but on Saturday the reputations lost were to an extent retrieved, and the Committee apparently came to their decision to leave the back division alone on the grounds of the greater experience of the men who had played in the French match. The only change made is one of formation, for G. V. Stephenson has been moved on to the wing and T. Hewitt into the centre-three-quarter position, where he usually plays for his club. This is an experimental choice, which may or may not tend to a strengthening of the line, but, at any rate, the four three-quarters selected are on their day quite as good as any that have represented Ireland in most years gone by.

There will be many, no doubt, who will differ with the selectors, but it looks to us as if they have done the right thing, and the disappointed ones who did so well in both trials may not have long to wait before receiving recognition. They have, at any rate, showed that Ireland is not lacking in substitute backs, should the occasion arise for such being required. Compared to the team selected to play France, two forward changes have been made, W. F. Browne (United Services) and G. B. Beamish (Leinster and R.A.F.) being given the places of C. F. Halloran and M. P. Bradley. These new selections were the result of the trials, both Browne and Beamish having played themselves on. Browne has a great reputation in England, where he usually fills the part of a leader of forwards, and Beamish is a good solid worker. The pack is a good one, and should be capable of getting the ball sufficiently often to allow our backs to show what they are capable of. W. E. Crawford has again been honoured with the duties of captain. The new caps are Browne and Beamish.

The team:—

FULL BACK.
W. E. Crawford (Lansdowne), captain.

THREE-QUARTERS.
H. W. Stephenson (United Services), J. B. Gardner (North), T. Hewitt (Queen's), G. V. Stephenson (Queen's).

HALF-BACKS.
Scrum—M. Sugden (Dublin University); outside, F. S. Hewitt (Instonians).

FORWARDS.
*G. B. Beamish (Leinster and R.A.F.); *W. F. Browne (United Services), J. D. Clinch (Dublin University), W. R. Collis (Wanderers), R. Collopy (Bective Rangers), R. Y. Crichton (Dublin University), D. Cunningham (North), J. McVicker (Collegians).

* Signifies a new cap.

FINAL TRIAL MATCH.

PROBABLES (21) V. POSSIBLES (0).

It would seem as though fate was against the selectors in their endeavour to get together the best possible team for the forthcoming internationals. In the ordinary course of events the two trials that have been played, following two internationals, would have not only allowed them to thoroughly weigh up the form of the players, but would have given the latter an amount of necessary practice together. There were two factors that deprived these matches, however, of much of their value. The most important was that in both matches many players, through indisposition or inability to travel, were unable to take part, and the other was the weather.

On Saturday at Lansdowne road the condition of the ground and ball could hardly have been more unfavourable to the game. Fortunately, the rain ceased prior to the commencement, and, although accurate football, of course, was impossible, the game proved quite fast and interesting. To condemn or judge any players in the circumstances under which the game was played would be grossly unfair; but the match served a purpose, for it must have helped the selectors to make up their minds regarding a few positions that were in doubt. The display of the Probables as a team, although they won by three goals and two tries to nil, could not be said to be altogether convincing. There was just as good individual play, on the day of course, on the Possibles side; and there were a couple of combined movements which were better than anything accomplished by the Probables. The difference in the scores represents the extra finish of the Probables' backs, added to the fact that the Possibles had not the best of luck on a few occasions rather than the actual run of the play. On the whole the winning forwards got more of the ball than the opposing set in the scrums; but there were periods when their scrummaging was by no means good. In the loose both packs put in some fine work, and there was little to chose in this respect between them.

Players on the Probables' side who enhanced or retrieved their reputations were G. B. Beamish and W. F. Browne in the forwards and H. W. Stephenson in the backs. The first-named is a fine type of forward, possessing a useful turn of speed and good hands, and he is also a genuine worker. He was nearly, if not, the best forward on the field on Saturday. Browne was also very conspicuous when playing on either side. He worked like a Trojan in the tight all through, and at the same time was always on the ball in the loose. H. W. Stephenson gave one of his best displays, and his anticipation in defence was a strong feature of his game, and saved his side at least two scores. It was by no means easy to get up speed or swerve on the holding pitch; but when he came into possession he generally beat several men before parting with the ball. The other three-quarters did nothing very brilliant, and in the second half the experiment was tried of playing G. V. Stephenson on the left wing, with T. Hewitt as centre to him, Gardiner going across to right centre. One had little chance of judging how this would compare with what has been the formation of the line heretofore, for, after the interval, Sugden and Davy were not at their best individually or as a pair, and the line rarely got moving properly. G. V. Stephenson did well individually, although he seemed to overdo the short kick and follow up business in the first half, and once with a successful result in the second half; but generally he did not part with the ball to advantage. His tackling and defence were strong points in his game, and his vis-a-vis, McKee, was not allowed to get far. Sugden got the ball away well, especially in the first half, and brought off his "dummy" on a couple of occasions; but, taken all round, he was not much in front of Rea on the Possibles' side. Crawford was as safe as a house in his fielding and kicking, but had a much easier task than Stewart, on the other side. The latter, in fact, was faced with many awkward situations during the game, and he emerged with distinct credit. Douglas, Ganly and Hogan all played well in the Possibles' three-quarter line, and, had McKee not failed to draw his man before passing, scores would have resulted. Ganly displayed plenty of enterprise in attack, and he covered the ground in great style. Hogan, if not so prominent in attack, was very sound in defence, and Douglas showed that, although a bit deficient in pace, he has plenty of football in him. Good forwards on the Probables' side, in addition to those already mentioned, were Clinch, Collis, Bradley and Cagney, and in the Possibles' pack Hanrahan, Brand, Mahony and Gray (after the interval).

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THE IRISH TEAM.

TWO NEW CAPS.

It was evident to anyone who had followed the play in the trial games that the Irish Selection Committee would have one or two difficult problems to solve in picking the Irish team to play England at Twickenham on February 14th. At Belfast some of the old international backs had not acquitted themselves as well as some younger players who had not yet been selected to represent their country, but on Saturday the reputations lost were to an extent retrieved, and the Committee apparently came to their decision to leave the back division alone on the grounds of the greater experience of the men who had played in the French match. The only change made is one of formation, for G. V. Stephenson has been moved on to the wing and T. Hewitt into the centre-three-quarter position, where he usually plays for his club. This is an experimental choice, which may or may not tend to a strengthening of the line, but, at any rate, the four three-quarters selected are on their day quite as good as any that have represented Ireland in most years gone by.

There will be many, no doubt, who will differ with the selectors, but it looks to us as if they have done the right thing, and the disappointed ones who did so well in both trials may not have long to wait before receiving recognition. They have, at any rate, showed that Ireland is not lacking in substitute backs, should the occasion arise for such being required. Compared to the team selected to play France, two forward changes have been made, W. F. Browne (United Services) and G. B. Beamish (Leinster and R.A.F.) being given the places of C. F. Halloran and M. P. Bradley. These new selections were the result of the trials, both Browne and Beamish having played themselves on. Browne has a great reputation in England, where he usually fills the part of a leader of forwards, and Beamish is a good solid worker. The pack is a good one, and should be capable of getting the ball sufficiently often to allow our backs to show what they are capable of. W. E. Crawford has again been honoured with the duties of captain. The new caps are Browne and Beamish.

The team:—

FULL BACK.
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THREE-QUARTERS.
H. W. Stephenson (United Services), J. B. Gardner (North), T. Hewitt (Queen's), G. V. Stephenson (Queen's).

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FORWARDS.
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FINAL TRIAL MATCH.

PROBABLES (21) V. POSSIBLES (0).

It would seem as though fate was against the selectors in their endeavour to get together the best possible team for the forthcoming internationals. In the ordinary course of events the two trials that have been played, following two internationals, would have not only allowed them to thoroughly weigh up the form of the players, but would have given the latter an amount of necessary practice together. There were two factors that deprived these matches, however, of much of their value. The most important was that in both matches many players, through indisposition or inability to travel, were unable to take part, and the other was the weather.

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Probables—3 goals and 2 tries (21 points).
Possibles—Nil.

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Referee—Dr. R. de C. Wheeler.

CROSS-CHANNEL RESULTS.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

	Points.		Points.
Cumberland	17	Yorkshire	17

CLUB GAMES.

London Scottish	11	London Irish	10
Cross Keys	11	London Welsh	0
Birkenhead Park	16	Manchester	0
Leicester	13	Richmond	4
O.M.T.	13	Rosslyn Park	6
St. Bart.'s	14	Old Leysians	0
Oxford University	21	Blackheath	8
Cardiff	5	Portsmouth Services	5
St. Thomas' Hospital	23	Old Alleynians	3
Devonport Services	14	Clifton	6
Heriotonians	26	Edinburgh Wanderers	5
Rugby	16	Northampton	3
The Army	3	Harlequins	0
Glasgow Acads.	28	Royal High School	0
Old Millhillians	29	West Leigh	0
Bristol	8	Newport	0
Swansea	13	Gloucester	3
Bath	9	R.A.F.	5
Llanelly	4	Aberavon	0
Plymouth Albion	6	Camborne	0
Neath	5	Bridgend	6

RUGBY LEAGUE.

Batley	10	Leigh	3
Hull K. Rovers	5	Bradford Northern	3
Barrow	9	Bramley	0
Swinton	6	Broughton Rangers	3
Halifax	3	Dewsbury	0
Leeds	11	Hull	5
Hunslet	10	Featherstone Rovers	2
Wakefield Trinity	19	Huddersfield	0
Warrington	13	Wigan Highfield	4
St. Helens Rec.	10	Wigan	3

LANCASHIRE SENIOR LEAGUE.

Oldham A	9	Rochdale Hornets A	5
Salford A	6	St. Helens A	0
Swinton A	2	Broughton Rangers A	0
Wigan Highfield A	8	Warrington A	5

ULSTER SENIOR LEAGUE.

North of Ireland	0	Malone	0
*Belfast	5	North-West	0

*Abandoned owing to heavy rain.

ULSTER MATCHES.

JUNIOR CUP—SEMI-FINALS.

	Points.		Points.
Donaghadee	11	Civil Service	0
Lurgan	8	Larne	5

SCHOOLS' CUP—FIRST ROUND.

Portora R.S.	60	Royal Academy	0
Ballymena Academy	25	Dungannon R.S.	3

JUNIOR LEAGUE.

Whitehead	14	Bangor 2nd	9
Armagh	3	N.I.F.C. 2nd	0
Ballymena	11	Queen's Island	8

MINOR LEAGUE.

Collegians 3rd	19	Carrick 2nd	0
Portadown	9	Malone 3rd	0
Larne 3rd	3	Instonians 3rd	0
Queen's 3rd	12	Knock 3rd	0
Cooke 2nd	6	Donaghadee 2nd	5
Civil Service 2nd	3	Y.M.C.A. 2nd	0
Bangor 3rd	30	Jordanstown	0

GAELIC GAMES.

WATER-LOGGED PITCHES.

(BY PAT'O.)

The heavy rain of Saturday wrought havoc with some of the Gaelic pitches. Some Saturday League matches were listed for Parnell Park, but when the teams appeared the areas in front of goal were regular quagmires, making play impossible. It was hoped that by Sunday morning conditions would have improved, and a fair company was present for the Senior Hurling League tie between Kickhams and Young Irelands. The morning was bright and crisp, but a slight overnight frost had made the ground even more treacherous than it had been on the previous afternoon. Young Irelands were out early, and had a practice beside the playing pitch, but when Kickhams arrived and a consultation took place it was decided to abandon all games for the day.

The Parnell Park grounds off the Malahide road will be the scene of all important Gaelic matches in the Dublin area for some months to come. It is leased by the Parnell Club—once a strong force in Gaelic football. The pitch is wide, of more than average length, and plays well under dry conditions, but in wet weather the sod is heavy and difficult. The College matches, Saturday Leagues and closing stages of the Football and Hurling Leagues will keep the grounds busy during February, March, and April, and the revenue will be of great assistance to the club. The new Civil Service grounds at Cabra should also be more extensively used. They are conveniently situated, have good dressing accommodation, and are well appointed generally. St. James' Park is usually occupied by the Sunday Football League, but the University College grounds at Terenure (where the local team won against St. Mary's on Saturday) will be available. All these pitches, however, need dry weather to play well, so that Croke Park will continue to be the scene of all important games. Re-sodding there is going ahead rapidly, and a big staff are employed. Croke Park is being improved year after year, and each season seems to establish more definitely its claim as the national stadium. The cycling track will be in good order when the athletic season opens. Special attention is being paid to the running track, and the sprinting straight will be one of the finest pieces of turf in the country by May.

The annual Convention of the Limerick County Board was held on Saturday under the presidency of Mr. Clifford. A successful year's work was reviewed, a satisfactory financial report submitted, and officers selected for 1925. The question of "the ban" was discussed, and by 35 votes to 19 the delegates to the G.A.A. Congress on Easter Sunday were instructed to vote in favour of its continuance. Cork County Board at their last meeting suggested to return to the old playing system of seventeen players to the team instead of fifteen. In the earlier days of the G.A.A. twenty-one players constituted a team. The desire for a more open game prompted the legislators to reduce the number of seventeen, and at the Congress of 1908 the number of players was reduced to fifteen. Personally, I am of opinion that each change was for the game's good, but a healthy discussion on this and other matters can do no harm. In recent Congresses questions of a highly controversial nature have been argued with great patience and ability without heat of any kind. Indeed, the Easter day proceedings in the G.A.A. Parliament for many years past have been models of order, despatch and regularity, having their results in the flourishing condition of an association which has passed through an exceedingly difficult time of nine years' duration. Any organisation without the solidity and binding fundamentals of the G.A.A. would have been shattered to fragments during that period. Not alone has the Constitution been preserved, but all arrears have been wiped off in a twelvemonth, and fresh activities in the development of handball through the country have brought about an amazing revival in that fine old pastime.

The G.A.A. being now up to date in its championships (Dublin v. Kerry match excepted), will have an opportunity of striking out in new directions during 1925. The development of a league as well as a championship between counties is feasible. Counties could be graded into Classes I., II. and III., and provincial towns, where only one big match is played in a twelvemonth, could have half a dozen such. It is not difficult to anticipate the powerful propagandist influence such games would effect. During the summer and autumn in any provincial town which boasts of an enclosure such games would become more numerous, and enclosures would quickly spring up to meet the demand for more grounds. Towns want all the revenue possible these days, and a sports field is an important acquisition to even the smallest of our urban areas. The agricultural societies will be found anxious to join up with the local G.A.A. bodies in the matter of enclosing grounds, and wherever such amalgamation has taken place in the past it has been to the benefit of the community. No town should be without a spacious sports grounds, where agricultural shows, sports meetings, hurling and football could be carried through successfully.

CORK MATCHES.

The final of the Intermediate Hurling Championship was played at University College grounds, Cork, yesterday between Passage and Sarsfields, and resulted in a win for Passage at the score—Passage 3 goals, Sarsfields 2 goals.

Father Mathew Hall and U.C.C. teams met at Turner's Cross in the City Intermediate Gold Medal Tournament. Result—Father Mathew Hall 3 goals 2 points, U.C.C. 3 goals 1 point.

FLAX GROWER'S GUARANTEE.

ACTION BY BELFAST BANK.

In the matter of the Belfast Banking Company v. Patrick McGahan, of Castleblayney, and fifteen others, residing in the same district, Mr. T. J. Smyth (instructed by Mr. John G. Reid), applied for judgment against three of the defendants, who had not entered an appearance, and did not appear at the trial. The action was brought on foot of a joint and several guarantee dated September, 1922, by which the defendants guaranteed to the plaintiffs repayment of monies advanced up to a sum of £7,000 on behalf of the Castleblayney Flaxgrowers' Co-Operative Society, Ltd. At the trial thirteen of the guarantors had entered an appearance, and in the result, judgment had been given against them. The three remaining defendants, Peter Martin, of Cornamacklagh, Joseph Smith, of Tattinclare, and Peter O'Reilly, of Lurganmore, had not entered an appearance, and it was now sought to have judgment also marked against them.

Mr. Justice Murnaghan granted the application.

ASSOCIATION.

KEEN GAME AT SHELBOURNE PARK.

SHELBOURNE'S ONE-GOAL VICTORY.

As was generally expected, the improved Bray Unknowns team put up a fine game when they visited Shelbourne at Ringsend on Saturday to fulfil their Free State Shield engagement, and were, all things considered, unlucky to have been defeated by a goal. The Shelbourne Park pitch, in common with others, suffered badly from the drenching rains and frost, the sod being heavy and greasy, which made footwork more or less erratic.

Both teams did well, however, in the soft going, but the home forwards appeared to be handicapped more than the Bray team, their shooting being badly executed. The backs, too, often mis-kicked and made mistakes. This was more pronounced in the closing period, when the area near goal had become cut up.

In the opening period Shelbourne were seen at their best, and the work of the forwards presaged an easy task, the Bray defence being severely taxed for a considerable time. Shelbourne, however, did not combine with their usual ability, and depended more or less on individual play, which failed to be effective against the other backs. They were well served by a useful pair of wing players, Laxton repeatedly beating the backs to get across nice centres, most of which were, however, badly dealt with. Doran, at centre forward, was the most enterprising of the five, but his shooting was often wide. On a couple of occasions he gave Vance, the Bray goalkeeper, a hard shot, but the Bray man refused defeat.

The Bray forwards were a hard-working lot, and they were well supported by the half-backs. Like Shelbourne, however, they failed in shooting, and their resource was often at fault, many chances of scoring being lost through lack of combination in the goal area. In the closing stages this was most pronounced, and both M'Lean and Byrne lost opportunities. It was a well fought out game, and as stated, Shelbourne were lucky.

Shelbourne set a fast pace at the start, and for a long time kept the Bray backs on the defensive. On two occasions Stynes failed to negotiate good crosses of Laxton's, while Doran missed an easy chance. Subsequently he almost got through with a hard, long drive, Vance bringing off a remarkable save, previous to which Stynes only missed by a few inches. Following this, one of the visiting backs almost put through his own goal in trying to clear an effort of Laxton's. The Unknowns broke away eventually, and M'Lean was going well for goal when he was whistled back. They came again, and the home full backs were hard pressed for some minutes to keep out Byrne and M'Lean. A good save by Walsh and a long drive down the field brought play to the centre. Here Bray had the best of the exchanges, but they failed to press home with any confidence, Pollock missing badly, and ends were changed without either side scoring.

Thirteen minutes from the re-start Doran whipped up a good pass from Kelly, and, beating the backs, dribbled well up, but he hit an upright hard with his shot. The ball rebounded to Maguire, who promptly banged it past Vance for the opening score. The equaliser came inside a minute. Byrne was going through when he was fouled by Daly, and Cunningham beat Walsh with the penalty kick. The home lot set about securing matters, but for ten minutes Bray put up a stubborn defence. Then Stynes got through, and centred to Doran, who missed, but immediately he made amends from Stynes' well placed corner kick, beating Vance rather easily. Both Byrne and M'Lean missed easy chances of levelling up subsequently, and at the finish Bray were decidedly unlucky to be beaten.

THE RESULTS.

IRISH FREE STATE SHIELD.

	Goals.		Goals.
Shelbourne	2	Bray Unknowns	1
Pioneers	2	Athlone	1

LEINSTER SENIOR CUP.

Glasnevin	2	Strandville	1
Brideville	1	St. Paul's	0

LEINSTER LEAGUE.

Midland Athletic	1	Civil Service	0
Bohemians	5	Inchicore	0
G.N.R. (Dundalk)	3	University College	0

IRISH CHALLENGE CUP—SEMI-FINALS.

Distillery	2	Glenavon	0
Glentoran	2	Crusaders	0

IRISH LEAGUE.

Belfast Celtic	2	Portadown	1
Barn	5	Newry	1
Queen's Island	4	Ards	0

ENGLISH CUP—SECOND ROUND.

Bradford City	3	Barnsley	0
Birmingham	1	Stockport County	0
Blackburn Rovers	1	Portsmouth	0
Bradford	0	Blackpool	1
Liverpool	1	Bristol City	0
Cardiff City	1	Fulham	0
Hull City	3	Crystal Palace	2
Newcastle United	4	Leicester City	2
West Ham	1	Nottingham Forest	0
Sheffield United	3	The Wednesday	2
Southampton	1	Brighton and Hove	0
Sunderland	0	Everton	0
Aston Villa	1	Swansea Town	0
Notts County	1	Norwich City	0
West Brom. Albion	2	Preston North End	0
Tottenham Hotspurs	1	Bolton Wanderers	1

ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION I.

Huddersfield	2	Leeds United	0
Manchester City	0	Bury	0

ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION II.

Coventry	3	Stoke	1
Middlesbrough	1	South Shields	1

ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION III. (S.).

†Aberdare Athletic	0	Brentford	0
Northampton	2	Exeter City	1
Plymouth Argyle	2	Gillingham	0
Queen's Park R.	1	Reading	0
Newport	1	Southend United	0
Swindon Town	1	Millwall	0
Watford	1	Bristol Rovers	0

†Abandoned after 35 minutes.

ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION III. (N.).

*Accrington Stanley		New Brighton	
Barrow	2	Halifax Town	1
†Chesterfield	0	Grimsby Town	0
Crewe Alexandra	3	Durham City	0
*Lincoln City		Nelson	
Hartlepools United	2	Rotherham	1
Tranmere Rovers	5	Ashington	4
Walsall	0	Southport	0
Wigan Borough	2	Doncaster	0
Wrexham	2	Rochdale	1

*Postponed owing to state of ground.
†Abandoned.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Celtic	1	Hibernians	1
Cowdenbeath	2	Dundee	0
Falkirk	1	Raith Rovers	0
Hamilton	0	Rangers	1
Hearts	1	St. Johnstone	0
Aberdeen	1	Kilmarnock	0
Morton	1	Motherwell	0
Partick Thistle	2	Ayr United	0
Airdrieonians	4	Queen's Park	1
St. Mirren	3	Third Lanark	1

CORK RESULTS.

FIRST DIVISION LEAGUE.
Cove Ramblers 3, Parnell Rovers 0.

FREE STATE JUNIOR CUP.
Exchange United 4, Cork City 0.
Cork Celtic 0, Barrackton 1.
Fordsons 4, Victoria Celtic 3.

FREE STATE SHIELD.
Shamrock Rovers 3, Fordsons 0.

ATTENDANCES AT ENGLISH CUP MATCHES.

The official attendance and gate receipts at Saturday's Cup-ties were:—

Notts Forest v. West Ham	10,590	(£844)
Bristol City v. Liverpool	29,362	(£2,820)
Tottenham Hotspur v. Bolton W.	52,635	(£3,759)
Sunderland v. Everton	45,852	(£2,820)
Hull City v. Crystal Palace	22,000	(£1,757)
Blackburn Rovers v. Portsmouth	18,258	(£1,215)
Swansea Town v. Aston Villa	20,000	(£2,800)
Barnsley v. Bradford City	22,319	(£1,612)
Newcastle U. v. Leicester City	58,713	(£4,068)
Bradford v. Blackpool	23,172	(£1,450)
Birmingham v. Stockport County	36,000	(£2,134)
Notts County v. Norwich City	21,061	(£1,405)
Sheffield U. v. The Wednesday	40,250	(£2,756)
West Brom. A. v. Preston N.E.	39,752	(£2,453)
Cardiff v. Fulham	20,000	(£1,300)
Southampton v. Brighton and H.	17,795	(£1,429)

REPLAYED CUP-TIES.

The dates for the replays are:—

Wednesday, February 4—Bolton Wanderers v. Tottenham Hotspur; Everton v. Sunderland.

Thursday, February 5—Leicester City v. Newcastle United.

BADMINTON.

CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS.

The Irish Badminton Championship Tournament was brought to a successful conclusion on Saturday, when, in the Concert Hall, Woodbrook, the finals in the open and handicap events were decided before a large gathering. With the exception of Mrs. Tragett, an English player, who won the Ladies' Championship Singles and shared honours with G. S. B. Mack in winning the Mixed doubles. All the open events were captured by Irish players.

The honours of the tournament were carried off by the Irish players, G. S. B. Mack, who, as well as winning the Men's Championship Singles, won the Men's Doubles, partnered by R. A. Goff, and, as just mentioned, the Mixed Doubles, partnered by Mrs. Tragett. Mack had matters much his own way against Beckett in the Singles, the latter player only taking two points in the two sets. Mrs. Tragett, however, was fully extended by her Scottish opponent, Miss Cochrane, in the Ladies' Singles, the loser taking 19 points in the two sets. Mack and Goff had an easy victory over Overend and Kennedy in the Men's Doubles, while in the mixed Doubles, Mack and Mrs. Tragett proved much too strong for Overend and Mrs. Head. The Ladies' Championship Doubles was won by Mrs. Head and Miss Homan, who found little difficulty in disposing of Mrs. Plews and Mrs. Good. The Handicap events were keenly contested, and provided many interesting games. Details:—

Men's Championship Singles.—Final—G. S. B. Mack beat H. P. Beckett—15-0, 15-2.

Ladies' Championship Singles.—Final—Mrs. Tragett beat Miss Cochrane—15-10, 14-9.

Men's Championship Doubles—Final—G. S. B. Mack and R. A. Goff beat G. A. Overend and F. A. Kennedy—15-4, 15-5.

Ladies' Championship Doubles.—Final—Mrs. Head and Miss Homan beat Mrs. Plews and Mrs. Good—15-8, 15-6.

Mixed Championship Doubles.—Final—G. S. B. Mack and Mrs. Tragett beat G. A. Overend and Mrs. Head—15-8, 15-6.

Mixed Handicap Doubles.—Class A.—Final—R. Hamilton and Mrs. Manning (7) beat W. Hamilton and Mrs. Good (minus 6)—14-15, 15-14, 15-10.

Mixed Handicap Doubles.—Class B.—Final—R. R. McGuire and Mrs. Goodbody (minus 9) beat C. T. Coleman and Miss D. Tyson (3)—5-15, 15-10, 15-9.

Ladies' Handicap Doubles.—Class A.—Final—Mrs. Plews and Miss Homan (minus 2 1 hand) beat W. Hamilton and Mrs. Good (minus 6)—14-15, 15-14, 15-10.

Ladies' Handicap Doubles.—Class B.—Final—Mrs. Goodbody and Miss Bennett (minus 5) beat Miss Riley and Miss Dilworth (scr.)—11-15, 15-4, 15-9.

Men's Handicap Doubles.—Class B.—Final—T. R. Coleman and W. Tharpe (minus 4) beat C. Booth and H. Kenny (4)—15-7, 15-13.

It is a real advantage to a nation to have a currency founded upon a value which is universally recognised; it inspires confidence and facilitates international transactions.—Mr. Reginald McKenna.

HOCKEY.

INTERPROVINCIAL MATCHES.

MUNSTER'S FINE EFFORT AT CORK.

LEINSTER (1) v. MUNSTER (0).

The first inter-provincial match of the season was played at I.C.I. grounds, Glasheen road, Cork, on Saturday, and resulted in a win for Leinster by one goal to nil.

Rain fell heavily in the morning, but the afternoon was fine, except for a few showers. The ground, however, was in surprisingly good condition, the surface only being greasy, and a really fast game ensued.

Munster had most of the first half, playing down the hill, but weakness in the circle spoiled many good chances. Leinster had more of the game in the concluding period, and only the brilliant goal-keeping of R. Lee saved Munster from a greater defeat. W. Stockil was the mainstay of the home back line, his stopping and clearing being excellent. The entire line were good all round, whilst G. Cross, G. Casey and R. Hall were the pick of the front line. Hall broke away several times towards the close of the game, but found the defence too good.

The Leinster forwards combined well, but did not find their form until the second half. The brothers Sully played as well as usual, while R. Tydd-Chapman was a distinct success. R. Leitch also was very useful. W. Chiddick was sound in the centre line, being very quick to turn defence into attack with long drives up the wings. Browner and Downey were safe at full, Browner, in particular, making some spectacular saves, while A. A. Fenton in goal was never severely tested, nearly all the shots going wide.

Munster got down from the start, but Chiddick cleared, sending his forwards on the move with a long drive, and Lee saved well from V. Sully. Leinster kept up the pressure, and were awarded a corner, but "sticks" by Chapman nullified a good chance. Shortly afterwards Lee cleared again from Chapman. Munster then assumed the offensive, and a good movement amongst the forwards brought play to the Leinster goal, and Hall sent behind. Munster kept up the attack, but the shooting was wild. A breakaway by the Sully brothers was spoiled by kicks, and Munster went back to the Leinster goal, where Browner saved an almost certain score by running across the goal-mouth and clearing. Leitch gained possession, and got away to the Munster 25, but Stockil stopped him cleverly. Play was even for some time, both goals being visited, but without result. Leitch broke away, and centred nicely, leaving Chapman only the goal-keeper to beat, but Lee saved brilliantly, and Stockil cleared. Shortly afterwards Fenton cleared from Cross, and play returned to mid-field. Leinster attacked, and V. Sully shot high, and almost immediately Lee ran out and saved from the same player. Munster retaliated, and G. Casey shot over. Half-time found play at mid-field with a blank score sheet.

Play was fairly even on resuming, and then Leinster got down, a good movement by the Sullys and Leitch ending in a corner, following which Lee saved from V. and H. Sully and Chapman in rapid succession, while soon afterwards Brown sent wide. After a long spell of even play Munster attacked, but again failed to score, owing to weakness in the circle. The home team were awarded a long corner, but Hall missed, and Leitch, gaining possession, raced down the field, and passed to V. Sully, who shot wide.

Leinster continued to attack, and Chapman sent in a hot shot, which was saved in brilliant style by Lee. Stockil then cleared, and sent his forwards away, but Hall was tackled by Downey, who cleared. Leinster again got down, but Chapman hit a post. After twenty-five minutes' play Chapman shot a good goal from an almost impossible angle. Munster made great efforts to equalise, but the defence of the Leinster backs was too good, and full time came with Leinster the victors by one goal. Teams:—

Leinster—A. A. Fenton (Monkstown); K. Browner and K. Downey (Railway Union); J. Peatt, W. Chiddick (capt.) (Railway Union) and R. Brown (Three Rock Rovers); V. Sully, G. Sully (Railway Union), W. R. Tydd-Chapman (Teddington), H. Sully and R. Leitch (Railway Union).

Munster—R. Lee (Dunmanway); A. S. Travers (Shannon Vale), W. Stockil (L.P.Y.M.A., Limerick); R. Mulligan (L.U.Y.M.A., Limerick), N. Butler (Ennis), T. Casey (C.I.); V. Donovan (C.I., Limerick), G. Cross (L.P.Y.M.A., Limerick), W. V. Harley Dunmanway), G. Casey (C.I.), R. Hall (C.I.).

Umpires—Mr. J. Jackson (Munster) and Mr. J. McMahon (Leinster).

ULSTER'S EASY VICTORY.

ULSTER (5) v. MIDLANDS AND CONNAUGHT (0).

The Senior series of Inter-provincial hockey was commenced on Saturday at Bladon Drive, Belfast, when Ulster easily defeated the Midlands and Connaught by 5 goals to nothing.

Play took place in wet and bitterly cold weather before a fair attendance. Ulster had a preponderance of the play in the first half, and within five minutes MacGregor had notched the opening goal from a centre of Archibald's with a shot that gave Reid no chance. Then the Midlands' left wing, Greene and Treyer, forced the pace, only to be repulsed, and Sweeney and Dolan at the other end were soon called upon. Griffith and O'Connell carried play back, and the visitors' position was improved by a free which Meehan sent past. Ulster, however, continued to have the best of the exchanges, and MacGregor and Semmence added further scores. Ulster leading at half-time by 3 goals to nothing.

In the opening stages after the resumption Ulster went further ahead. After a nice pass from Archibald, Reid was tricked, and the goalkeeper drawn out, with the result that Rushbridge had no difficulty in locating the net. The same scorer followed almost immediately with the fifth point. For quite a time the Midlands were penned in their own territory, but they rallied well, and put up the best showing they had made at any period of the game. They were well worthy of a score on the trend of play, but the Ulster defence proved impervious to attack, and the match ended:—

Ulster	5
Midlands and Connaught	0

Teams:—

Midlands and Connaught—Reid (Athlone); Sweeney (Maryborough), Dolan (Moate); Lyster (Athlone), Meehan (Maryborough) (capt.), Sargent (Trim); Griffith (Edenderry), O'Connell (Maryborough), Cummins (Athlone), Greene (Moate), Treyer (Longford).

Ulster—Dillon (Holywood); Dick (Cliftonville), Smith (East Antrim); R. Malcolmson (Queen's), Curry (Antrim), W. Allen (Lisnagarvey); R. W. Moore (Cliftonville), Semmence (East Antrim), MacGregor (Lisnagarvey) (capt.), Rushbridge (Banbridge), and Archibald (Cliftonville).

Umpires—Messrs. N. Redmond (Midlands) and R. K. Megran (Ulster).

THE ULSTER TEAMS.

The following teams were selected to represent Ulster against Munster and Leinster next week-end in Dublin:—

Against Munster—Greenfield (Lisnagarvey); Dick (Cliftonville), Smith (East Antrim); Malcomson (Queen's), Curry (Antrim), Allen (Lisnagarvey); Moore (Cliftonville), Semmence (East Antrim), MacGregor (Lisnagarvey), Rushbridge (Banbridge), Archibald (Cliftonville).

Against Leinster—Dillon (Holywood); Dick (Cliftonville), Smith (East Antrim); Malcomson (Queen's), Curry (Antrim), Allen (Lisnagarvey); Brown (Holywood), Semmence (East Antrim), MacGregor (Lisnagarvey), Rushbridge (Banbridge), N. Coburn (Banbridge).

LADIES' MATCHES.

ULSTER (5) v. CONNAUGHT (0).

The Ladies' Inter-Provincial Hockey trial between Ulster and Connaught, at the Alexandra College ground, Milltown, on Saturday, was a very poor affair. This, of course, was only to be expected owing to the state of the ground, which was even worse, if possible, than Claremont road and Park avenue on Thursday.

The game resolved itself into a question of ability to get round quickly in the mud. During the entire game, with but short intervals at mid-field, Ulster confined play to the Connaught circle, which was rapidly churned up into such a state that the hockey was merely grotesque. Miss Burke, by conceding frequent corners, was able to stave off any attempts at scoring during the first half, but on change of ends Miss Rudd "broke the ice" for Ulster, and towards the close of the game goals came fairly frequently for the Northerners. Miss Rudd (3), Miss Archdale, and either Miss Rudd or Miss Strahan were responsible for the five Ulster goals. Miss Archdale's effort was a particularly fine one under the abnormal conditions.

As a game, it was too one-sided to be of much assistance to the selectors, even had conditions been better. Result:—

ULSTER	5
CONNAUGHT	0

The teams were:—

LEINSTER (3) v. MUNSTER (3).

At Milltown the match between Leinster and Munster resulted in a draw, each side scoring 3 goals. The Leinster forwards were altogether superior, but the defence on both sides was splendid.

Leinster were first to get away, and Miss Perrin, racing down the right wing, had hard luck with a strong shot, which just went wide. From the bully a fine forward rush brought Munster down to the Leinster circle, but Miss Maxwell saved with a fine kick. Immediately after Munster were awarded a corner, which, however, Mrs. Pratt cleared and ran to half-way before passing to Miss Rawlins (left-wing), who brought the ball to the circle and in-passed to Mrs. Pratt. A scuffle followed, and Mrs. Pratt scored the opening goal for Leinster. Leinster continued to attack, and Miss Wallis, getting possession, passed to Miss McCann, who sent in a high, strong shot, which hit the top of the goal posts before going in. Munster then attacked, and Miss Maxwell brought off some splendid saves before Miss Fudger shot a good goal for Munster.

In the second half Leinster again had the better of matters, until about half-way through, when Miss Cummins got away and shot a splendid goal, which gave Miss Maxwell no chance. Immediately after Miss Fudger added a third goal for Munster. About ten minutes from the end Miss Perrin, the Leinster right-wing, fielding the ball far out, sent in a lovely pass to Miss Wallis, who shot a magnificent goal for Munster. Miss Williams got through more defensive work than anyone on the field, while Miss Cummins was everywhere, often getting back to goal to save, as well as shooting a splendid goal. Miss Fudger (centre-forward) was the best of the forwards.

Miss Maxwell, in goal for Leinster, played a fine game, stopping and clearing several likely goals. Mrs. Pickeman was the steadier back, Miss O'Loughlin being inclined to stand altogether too far up-field. The halves were all fine, Miss H. Dilworth marking Miss Fudger very well, while Miss Cooper and Mrs. Mangay were always looking for work and never ceased from start to finish. The forwards played a grand, dashing game, both wings, Misses Perrin and Rawlins, showing splendid pace. Miss Wallis was hard working, and, as well as the splendid goal she shot herself, she led up to Leinster's second. Miss McCann was, as usual, very clever, while Mrs. Pratt played an energetic and speedy game.

CONNAUGHT—Misses Burke, Mahoney, Reilly, Allen, Mrs. Braund, Misses Downing, Meck, Naughton, Lister, Grant, Tennant.

ULSTER—Miss Bradley, Mrs. Chartres, Misses Shillington, Armstrong, Archdale, Wishart, Moffett, Strahan, Rudd, C. Rodden, McBride.

Umpires — Messrs. W. F. McDonnell and W. Miller.

IRISH TEAM TO PLAY SCOTLAND.

The Ladies' International Team to represent Ireland against Scotland in that country on February 28 was selected on the Alexandra College ground, Milltown, on Saturday, on the conclusion of the interprovincial trial between Munster and Leinster.

There was a general feeling of surprise at the exclusion of Miss Hilda Wallis, who gave such a convincing display in conjunction with Miss Perrin in the match against Connaught at Claremont road. The team as selected is as follows:—Goal—Miss Rodden (Ulster). Full-backs—Mrs. Chartres (Ulster) and Mrs. Williams (Munster). Half-backs—Miss Armstrong (Ulster) and Miss Cummins (Munster). Forwards — Miss Archdale (Ulster), Miss Perrin (Leinster), Miss Fudger (Munster), Mrs. Pratt (Leinster), Miss McCann (Leinster), and Miss Rawlins (Leinster).

SENIOR LEAGUE.

THREE ROCK ROVERS v. KINGSTOWN G.S.

This Senior League fixture was played on Saturday at Tivoli terrace. Owing to the continual fall of rain, the ground was very soft and against good hockey. The Rovers fielded a weak side, having only ten players to start with. Just before the interval they were reinforced by another. Grammar School made an early attack on the visitors' goal, Pilkington and Hone having a busy time defending. A good clearance by C. W. Cooke let his forwards well in, but Freeman saved wonderfully on two occasions from Winder and L'Estrange. After twenty minutes' play Winder scored for the Schools, and just before the interval the same player scored again. At half-time the score was:—Kingstown G.S., 2 goals; Three Rock Rovers, nil.

On resuming the visitors pressed, but weakness on the part of the forwards kept them from scoring. In the latter portion of the game the visiting defence weakened, and further goals were added by A. E. Cooke, C. W. Cooke, and A. L'Estrange. Result:—

Kingstown G.S.	5
Three Rock Rovers	0

Kingstown G.S.—W. C. Gibson Rev. E. J. Devlin, E. S. Phillips; R. E. Felton, A. E. Cooke, J. B. Marsden; T. Singles, A. C. L'Estrange, W. Winder, C. W. Cooke, E. N. McCormack.

Three Rock Rovers—J. Freeman; G. Pilkington, J. Hone; W. Campbell, J. McConchy, R. Rathurst; J. Eyre, J. Mahony, N. Metcalfe, A. Robinson, C. Tyndall.

Umpires—Messrs. H. H. Peterson and M. J. Bolger.

WALES v. SCOTLAND.

The following will represent Wales in the international hockey match against Scotland at Aberdeen on February 14th:—

R. C. Bishop (Abergavenny); B. Lampard Vochell (Hampstead), R. C. Meggit (Cardiff); S. Porter (Monmouth), C. H. Owne (Hightown), P. V. Binney (Bangor University); P. H. Lewis (Mid-Surrey), M. D. Evans (Cardiff University), M. Roberts (Cambridge University), W. M. Jones (Hampstead).

REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES.

The following list of fixtures was officially announced by the Hockey Association on Saturday:—

February 18—Oxford University v. Cambridge University. At Beckenham.
March 7—England v. Wales. At Merton Abbey.
March 31—England v. Ireland. At Birmingham.
April 4—England v. France. In France.

ULSTER MATCHES.

SENIOR LEAGUE.

	Goals.		Goals.
Limagarvey	3	Y.M.C.A.	3
Queen's	0	South Antrim	0
North Down	3	Holywood	1

INTERMEDIATE CUP—FIRST ROUND.

C.P.A.	2	East Antrim 2nd	0

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

COUNTY DUBLIN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

The victory of the Donore Harriers in the Junior Championship of the County Dublin Board of the National Athletic and Cycling Association at Baldoyle on Saturday was an exceedingly popular one. On Saturday it was feared that the weakness of the tail of the team might deprive Donore of the victory, which the certainty of their cracks finishing well amongst the leaders suggested was a possibility. The team, as a whole, excelled itself. Not only did the brothers Coard run as well as was expected and finish first and second, but Hardiman ran considerably above his previous best form, and by finishing immediately behind the pair gave the club the first three places. P. Doyle, a new man, created a surprise by running into ninth place, and with D. Baird and T. Murphy in 16th and 17th places respectively, they almost equalled the performance of the Dublin City Harriers, when that club finished by scoring six in the first 16 in last year's race. The total points of the Donore were 47, as against the "Cities" score of 54 a year ago. The Clonliffe Harriers and the Dublin City Harriers were second and third respectively, and as these two clubs won last year and the year previously it would seem as if the rule which makes ineligible the whole of the winning team of each year, and the first two individual winners is not having quite the expected result of causing the championship to go round.

It was not altogether an agreeable afternoon at Baldoyle; but it might easily have been worse, as while the storm swept across the course, the rain of the morning did not continue. The attendance, while not as large as was expected, was not unsatisfactory under the circumstances. Of the ten clubs entered only eight were able to put full teams in the field, the Castlevilla Harriers having four representatives and the Dundrum A.C. but one. The Clonliffe, City and Suburban, Donore, Dublin City, and Great Southern and Western Railway Harriers had ten each, the St. James's Gate nine, the Harp A. and C.C. eight, and the Dublin University Harriers half a dozen, the total making a field of 78. Incidentally it may be noted that 73 of the runners completed the six miles. Five circuits of the course and a portion of the five-furlong straight made up the distance. As far as the race is comparable with last year's event at the Phoenix Park, the times suggest a general improvement, as the winner did 3 mins. 34 secs. better than John Timmins did a year ago.

The brothers Coard and Hardiman dominated the race for individual honours from the start. The latter cut out the running for more than half the distance, at which point the Coards drew away, but never to get far ahead of their immediate attendant. Outside of those who were well up at the finish, the only one to figure amongst the leaders during the course of the race was Sid. Daly, of the Dundrum Club. He fell away in the last lap, however, and did not finish. The Coards were never pressed, and Douglas beat his brother by a couple of seconds, the pair being well ahead of Hardiman and A. P. Waller, of the Clonliffe Harriers. While running a good race, the latter hardly did as well as in the Novices' contest. D. J. Galavan, of the same club, showed improved form, and by finishing in sixth place, behind J. Cullen, of the City and Suburban, he helped his club to beat the holders.

The placings and times of the first twenty finishers were as follow:—

1, D. Coard, Donore Harriers, 36m.; 2, K. Coard, Donore Harriers, 36m. 2s.; 3, J. R. Hardiman, Donore Harriers, 36m. 24s.; 4, A. P. Walker, Clonliffe Harriers, 36m. 29s.; 5, J. Cullen, City and Suburban Harriers, 36m. 34s.; 6, D. J. Galavan, Clonliffe Harriers, 36m. 39s.; 7, J. McDonnell, Great Southern and Western Railway Harriers, 37m. 2s.; 8, J. Maddock, St. James's Gate Harriers, 37m. 4s.; 9, P. Doyle, Donore Harriers, 37m. 15s.; 10, P. Cousin, Dublin City Harriers, 37m. 22s.; 11, P. Stynes, Dublin City Harriers, 37m. 24s.; 12, E. Hale, Great Southern and Western Railway Harriers, 37m. 28s.; 13, E. J. Doyle, Clonliffe Harriers, 37m. 34s.; 14, D. Dunne, Clonliffe Harriers, 37m. 48s.; 15, J. Flood, Dublin City Harriers, 37m. 54s.; 16, D. Baird, Donore Harriers, 38m. 1s.; 17, T. Murphy, Donore Harriers, 38m. 4s.; 18, W. Walker, Great Southern and Western Railway Harriers, 38m. 6s.; 19, M. Reid, Dublin City Harriers, 38m. 8s.; 20, H. Ryan, City and Suburban Harriers, 38m. 14s.

The team results were as under:—1, Donore Harriers—1, 2, 3, 9, 16, 17=48 points; 2, Clonliffe Harriers—4, 6, 13, 14, 25, 33=95; 3, Dublin City Harriers—10, 11, 15, 19, 23, 32=110; 4, Great Southern and Western Railway Harriers—7, 12, 18, 27, 28, 29=121; 5, St. James's Gate Harriers—8, 21, 31, 34, 45, 53=192; 6, City and Suburban Harriers—5, 20, 22, 47, 48, 58=200; 7, Harp A. and C.C.—24, 26, 30, 38, 39, 46=203; 8, Dublin University Harriers—44, 64, 68, 71, 72, 73=392. Castlevilla Harriers (59 61) incomplete team.

HANDBALL.

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES.

YESTERDAY'S PLAY.

(By "GAME BALL.")

There was a large crowd yesterday in the Marshalsea Lane Barracks ball court when, sharp to time, Mr. P. Magill started T. Flanagan (Metropolitan) and C. Ryan (D.M.P.) on their match in the Intermediate Championship. It was a pleasing surprise to many to see how Ryan has improved in his play, and it was observed that, with proper handling, he will develop into a first-class ball player. The match between him and Flanagan was full of good play, which was enjoyed by those present. Ryan's determination stood to him, and he had the best of the exchanges, and won the rubber outright by 21-17, 21-12, 21-16.

In the Junior Championship match between J. Keevaney (Eire Og) and P. Fitzsimons (Metropolitan), Keevaney played up to his usual form, and had also all the luck of the game. Getting a substantial lead in each game, he held the master hand, winning by 21-8, 21-12.

The match between J. Moylan (Metropolitan) and G. Hollywood (D.M.P.) was a ding-dong contest, with plenty of long returns and some fine killing by Moylan. In the opening game the players fought it out closely, and the scores were called 9-all, 11-all, and 12-all, when Hollywood put his hand out. From this on Moylan forged ahead, and won by 21-14.

In the opening of the second game Moylan, with good service, put up 9 aces, which lead he held for some time. Good all-round play was the order, and towards the finish it became very exciting, as both players were level; but Moylan, getting in good position, got home an angle cut for game, winning by 21-20.

The game between C. Sheridan (Metropolitan) and J. O'Toole (Eire Og) was rather a tame affair, as O'Toole, who executed some nice strokes, seemed out of form, with the result that Sheridan always held the upper hand, and won by 21-7, 21-13.

J. Hanly (N.U.C.), w.o.; M. Long (St. Audoen's), scr.

In Clondalkin the first match was in the Junior Hard-ball Championship, between J. Shouldice (Geraldines) and T. Carroll (Clontarf). It was a very evenly contested rubber, hands going frequently. Shouldice, by fine play, went away from the start, winning the game by 21-7. In the second game the Clontarf player, with different low tosses to the right, ran up a lead of 12 aces. He kept up the pace and reached game ball, when he was beaten by a strong return. Shouldice, by good all-round play, brought his score from 9 to 12. Getting in with a good stroke off the back wall, Carroll got the final ace, winning by 21-13.

The third game opened even, both players gaining single aces. Close play followed, and the players were level at 10. The Clontarf player took the lead, and was at 18 when Shouldice got him out with a high return off the side wall, and sending out severe tosses, which included an ungettable toss round the back wall, had the score 18-all when his opponent missed an angle shot. Shouldice took the lead by one, when Carroll got home a shot which gave his opponent no chance, and, securing possession, held the hand until he won by 21-19, and the rubber by 2 games to 1.

P. Butterly (St. Audoen's) had an easy win over M. Redmond (D.M.P.), but it transpired that the latter is only recovering from illness and was in no condition for ball playing. Judging from some of the shots he got home yesterday, he would have been a very formidable opponent, if at his best, and it would have been a good match. Butterly won by 21-3, 21-8.

A number of confined matches were played in St. Audoen's court, the best being that between A. Carty and J. Grainger against J. Dowdall and W. Mullen. It was a well-contested rubber, Carty and Grainger winning by 21-20, 7-21, 11-21, 21-15, 21-15.

Mr. A. C. Harty presided at a meeting of the Standing Committee of the Central Council of the Irish Amateur Handball Association, at 68 Upper O'Connell street, on Saturday night.

Correspondence was read from S. O'Brian, Baltinglass, Co. Wicklow; T. J. Deignam, Offaly; P. J. Kenny, Dunshaughlin, Co. Meath; Rev. T. Prendergast, Co. Carlow; M. Batterberry, Waterford; T. J. Caulfield, Roscommon; J. T. Skelly, Kells, and Lieutenant C. Doyle, Hon. Secretary, G.H.Q. Command Council, A.A.A. Mr. O'Brian (Wicklow) stated that in sending in the Wicklow entries the Secretary had, through an oversight, omitted to enter a pair for the All-Ireland Double-handed Soft Ball Championship, and after discussion the meeting decided to accept the entry. Mr. D. Murphy was appointed referee of the Leinster Hard Ball Inter-county Semi-final—Kells v. Dublin—to be played at the Civic Guards' Alley, Phoenix Park, on Sunday next. The meeting had under consideration the position of the Leinster Council, and it was decided to inform the president and secretary of that body that they must hold the Leinster Convention before the 12th of April, as full reports and statements must be submitted to the All-Ireland Central Council's Convention on that date.

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BILLIARDS.

IRISH AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

T. KANE v. J. KENNEDY.

With the conclusion of the first round ties in the Irish Amateur Championship, which is being decided at the Catholic Club, Sackville street, the competition will enter on a stage which is certain to be characterised by a much improved standard of play. Most of the games have failed to produce anything approaching high scoring, but after the lapse of so many years, it is only to be expected that the younger players, now aspiring to championship honours, have yet to attain to that level of proficiency which only comes with experience. Saturday night's game was won by T. Kane, who defeated J. Kennedy after a rather one-sided contest by 199 points. Kane was always travelling the faster, and rarely failing to maintain control over the balls, gave the more attractive display. He had runs of 27, 26, 28, 33 (twice), and 37, the last item unexpectedly terminating when he appeared well set. Kennedy never touched his best form, but he revealed himself as a skilful player in compilations of 24 (twice), 23 and 27. Score:—

T. Kane	500
J. Kennedy	301

J. GORDON v. P. BYRNE.

Last night's session between J. Gordon and P. Byrne yielded a very interesting game, despite Byrne's ultimate success by 96 points. The winner did not establish so big a lead until after the half-way stage, but he then found his best form, and rarely failed to reach double figures at each visit to the table. His breaks included 31, 32 (twice), 21, 27 and 37, the last two items being two very attractive efforts. Gordon started off well with 24 and 32, but he subsequently lost the lead, and thereafter his best breaks were 28, 21 (twice) and 24. Score:—

P. Byrne	500
J. Gordon	404

The draw for the remainder of the week is as follow:—

To-day (A)—W. Kavanagh v. J. Byrne.
To-morrow (B)—G. Molloy v. L. Tozer.
Wednesday (C)—W. Daly v. T. Kane.
Thursday (D)—C. Clancy v. P. Byrne.
Friday—Winner of A and B. Saturday—Winner of C and D. Sunday afternoon and night—Final (1,000 up.)

NORTHERN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

F. V. Stacey won the Northern Amateur Championship at Sheffield on Saturday, defeating E. Howson in the final match of 2,000 points up by 576. In the early session Stacey increased his lead with breaks of 115, 32, 42, 34, 57 and 45. Howson's best were 38, 49, and 66. Interval scores:—

Stacey (in play)	1,050
Howson	1,147

At night Stacey added further breaks of 49, 34, 48, 66, 90 and 37, unfinished, and his opponent 48 and 33. Result:—

F. V. Stacey	2,000
E. Howson	1,424

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

T. E. Booth, of Manchester, eliminated W. Dobson, of Newcastle, from the Amateur Championship at Thurston's Hall, London, on Saturday, winning his first round heat by 866 points. In the afternoon Booth registered breaks of 39, 38 (twice), 31, 56, 40 (twice), and 31, and the Newcastle player 39 and 12. Interval scores—Booth (in play), 1,501; Dobson, 653.

At night Booth increased a small unfinished break to 21, and later made 49, 31, 56, 48, and 65. Dobson had 43 and 36. Result—T. E. Booth, 2,000; W. Dobson, 1,134.

SMITH DEFEATS McCONACHY.

So superior was Smith's play to that of the New Zealand champion, Clarke McConachy, in the 16,000 up match at Burroughes' Hall, London, that the English professional might well have conceded the 3,000 points with which McConachy began the game. Even then Smith would have won, as he defeated his opponent by 3,920 points. Smith on Saturday afternoon had breaks of 336 and 207, against McConachy's 104, 110, and 90. Interval scores—Smith (in play), 15,335; McConachy, 11,918.

At night Smith carried his unfinished break to 102, and subsequently added 324, and, after 121 by his opponent, went to game with 142 (unfinished). Result—Smith, 16,000; McConachy (received 3,000), 12,080.

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COUNTY LICENSED GROCERS.

NEW ASSOCIATION AND THE LICENSING LAW.

Mr. T. F. Healy, outgoing chairman, presided at the first annual meeting of the Counties Licensed Grocers' Association of Ireland, which took place in Dublin on Tuesday last.

The Chairman said that a few traders from the provincial areas came together when they recognised that the Liquor Bill of 1923 was absolutely a Dublin bill. In the circumstances they came to the conclusion that the Dublin Licensed Grocers and Vintners' Protection Association were not looking after the interests of those in the trade in the country. Before breaking their ranks, however, they did everything possible to work with the Dublin Association by endeavouring to get representation for the different counties on the Management Committee, but that was refused, and they then decided that the Dublin Association could not know or cater for the wants of the trade in the twenty-six counties.

The Association, he assured them, was now strong enough to carry on. At the same time, he admitted that there should be only one Association for the whole of Ireland, with all the members united in one solid body.

Continuing, the Chairman said that not one of their amendments had been accepted in regard to the Intoxicating Liquor Bill of last year, except that dealing with structural alterations, which became the subject of a compromise. Had the Government not given way upon that provision they would not have lasted very long in office, because its insertion in the Act would have turned the whole country against them.

A deputation from the Association had urged upon the Minister for Finance that with regard to the taxation on spirits and beer they should at least get concessions similar to those granted in Northern Ireland and England; but they were met with the reply that at present the financial state of the country would not permit of the remission.

He hoped that on the forthcoming Commission their Association would get proper representation, and through that means they hoped to get many of the "objectionable clauses" which had been embodied in the Act repealed.

Mr. F. W. Downey, secretary, submitted the report of the Executive Committee, which gave a survey of the reasons which led to the formation of the Association. Associations in Cork, Waterford, Clonmel, Limerick, Ennis and other centres, it was stated, had affiliated with them, and the result was that they could claim that the Association truly represented the provincial trade.

On the motion of Mr. D. J. Cogan, seconded by Mr. L. Murphy, the report was adopted.

Resolutions were passed protesting against the "penal and unjust legislation" of the Intoxicating Liquor Act, 1924; calling for a substantial reduction in the licence duty; requesting a reduction in beer duty to the same level as in Northern Ireland and England, and a reduction of the spirit duty by at least the amount of the last imposition.

The Committee was then elected by ballot, and it was decided to leave the selection of a chairman to the Committee.

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